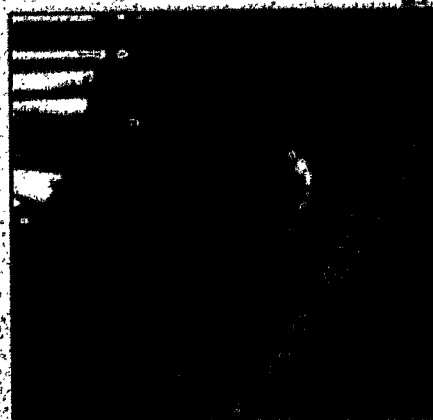


Oil spill in Hancock County

U.S. Environmental services called from New Orleans to clean site.

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NARFE meets Tuesday at W'land Holiday Inn

Chapter 1729 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet at the Holiday Inn on Hwy.90 in Waveland at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday for its March meeting/luncheon. A representative of HOSPICE will speak to the group. All members and other Federal workers, active or retired, are invited to attend. Call 467-0589 for reservations.

American Legion to host security forum

American Legion Unit 139 will sponsor a "Community Security Forum" on March 31, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at the Post Home on Green Meadow Road. Speakers have been invited from Keesler and the National Guard, as well as fire and police departments. Rep. Gene Taylor has also been invited. Many companies are being asked to set up information booths to provide security material.

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Attack on Iraq

Waveland woman optimistic about husband's service in the Middle East

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Melissa Murphee has only seen her husband twice since he was deployed in November 2001 after the Sept. 11 attacks.

He last visited his wife and two children when he was back home in Waveland for two weeks during Christmas. Maj. Thomas Murphee III would communicate with his wife every night online until the war started on Thursday. Now he can only manage one or two phone calls a week.

Thomas is in the Theater Support Command, which is responsible for knowing all battle tactics in order to supply adequate supplies to soldiers.

He called Melissa the day after the war began to let her know he was OK. He informed her he was north of Kuwait and would eventually be in Baghdad.

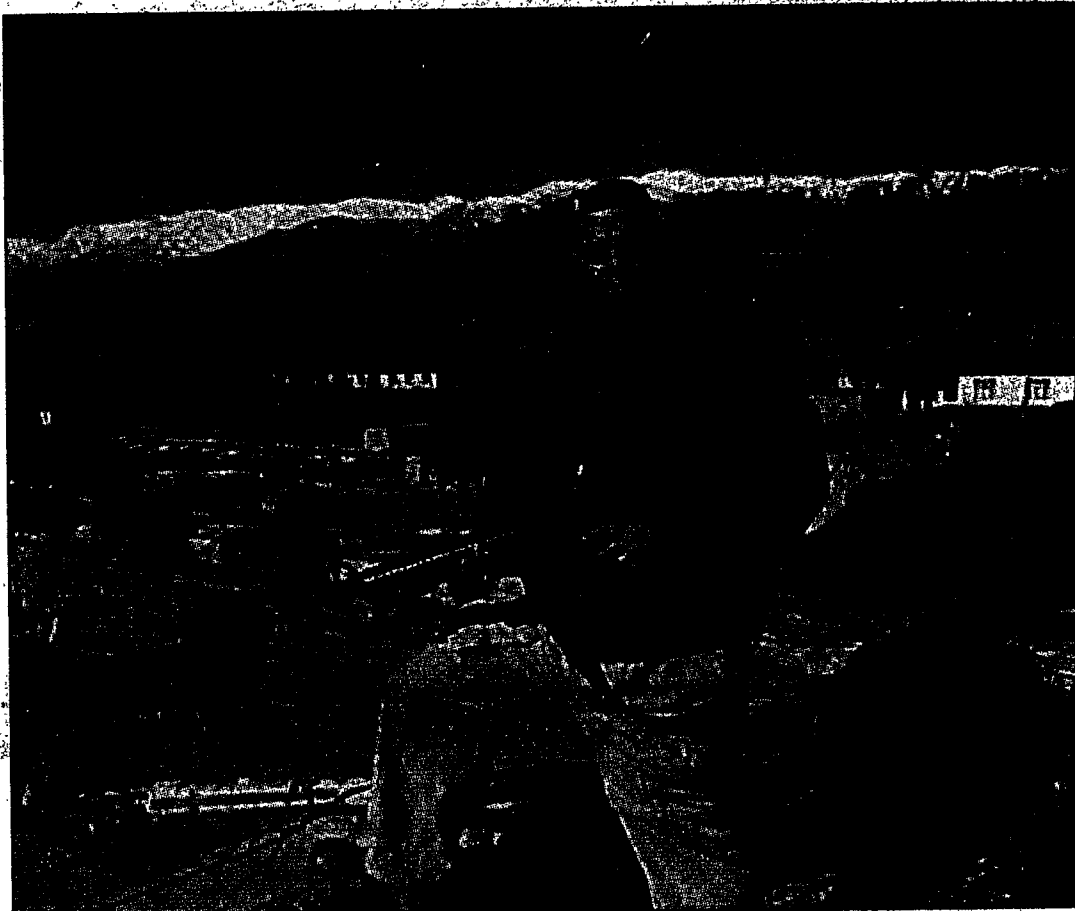
Melissa said she has received many phone calls from family, friends and other military wives since the war started asking if Thomas has called and to see how she and her children are doing.

Melissa, her 8-year-old son, Beatty, and 5-year-old daughter, Holland, all seem to be doing just fine.

"I'm used to him being away," Melissa said. "I just think of him being on another training mission. That's how I deal with it."

Thomas has been in the military for 15 years and has been married to Melissa for 10.

"You can't worry yourself



Major Thomas Murphee III, of Waveland, in Kuwait prior to the U.S.-led coalition forces' attack on Iraq last week. Murphee is a member of the Theatre Support Command, which supplies the soldiers.



Pictured about are Melissa Murphee and her daughter, Holland, in front of their home in Waveland.

about it or it will make you sick," she said. "I have to be strong for my children."

Melissa, who is a full-time nursing student, has made life for her children

as normal as possible without their father.

The children have soccer practice and games after school. They go to the movies. They go to birthday

parties for their friends. They're even currently planning Beatty's birthday party.

"Staying active gets us through each day," Melissa said. "We don't have time to really think about it."

In November 2002, Melissa took her children on a trip to New York City. They experienced all the sights of the Big Apple, including the Empire State Building and the Statue of Liberty. She also showed them the site where the Twin Towers had been.

The trip was planned not only to show her children the excitement of a big city, but to show them why their father had gone to war.

"I explained to them why we were fighting," she said. "I told them we were attacked, and we had to

MURPHEE-PAGE 14A

Shoplift business busted on I-10

Cross-country thieves even had Customs official's bullet-proof vest

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Swift action by a clerk in notifying the sheriff's office, then providing a vehicle description and tag number, resulted in the apprehension of an alleged father and son cross-country shoplifting team, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

"Department deputies were able to stop the suspects at mile 13 on Interstate 10, for allegedly taking some 30 CDs from the Exxon Service Station on Highway 603 and Interstate 10 around 12:30 a.m. on Wednesday," Garber reported.

Investigator Andre Fizer, who is handling the case said, "Deputy Lt. Jimmy Esposito, Lt. Tim Broder, Deputy Danny Gikerson and Reserve Deputy Sara Underwood were involved in the stop. They located the CDs and became suspicious by the number of items in

BUSTED --PAGE 7A

Hancock art group has new identity

THE SEA COAST ECHO
The arts organization being formed in Hancock County now has a name and identity.

Over the past few weeks various names were considered before a decision was made. Instead of an art council or association or alliance, the new organization will be known as "THE ARTS, Hancock County Mississippi."

It is being formed as a non-profit umbrella organization that is inclusive of all artists, writers, artisans and performing artists throughout the county.

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D'head man, weapons inspector, back home

UN walked 'tightrope' in Iraq search

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Iraq is a country of contradictions, said Tom McCormick, 65, a Diamondhead resident who acted as a UN weapons inspector in the most recent round of inspections. McCormick

recently spent 10 weeks, from December through February, as one of 21 members of the missiles inspection group.

His 24 years in the Air Force, almost all with missiles programs, more than qualified him for the

MCCORMICK-PG 14A



Tom and Sally McCormick in their home in Diamondhead. The couple divide their time between church, grandkids and causes. And this was a good cause, the couple said of McCormick tour of duty as a UN weapons inspector in Iraq.

County dump may be leaking oil

Source of spill
being investigated

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

When Kristy and Elliot Verdin were working in their yard on Wednesday, they noticed something strange. The trees at the rear of the yard bordering a storm drain were dripping what appeared to be motor oil. The family lives on Washington St. at Chapman Road.

It didn't take them long to realize that the ground bordering the small stream, which empties into Edward's Bayou, was also soaked in oil, as was the water in the ditch. Kristy called firemen at East Hancock Volunteer Fire Department. The station on Chapman Rd. borders the back of the house, as does other county property.

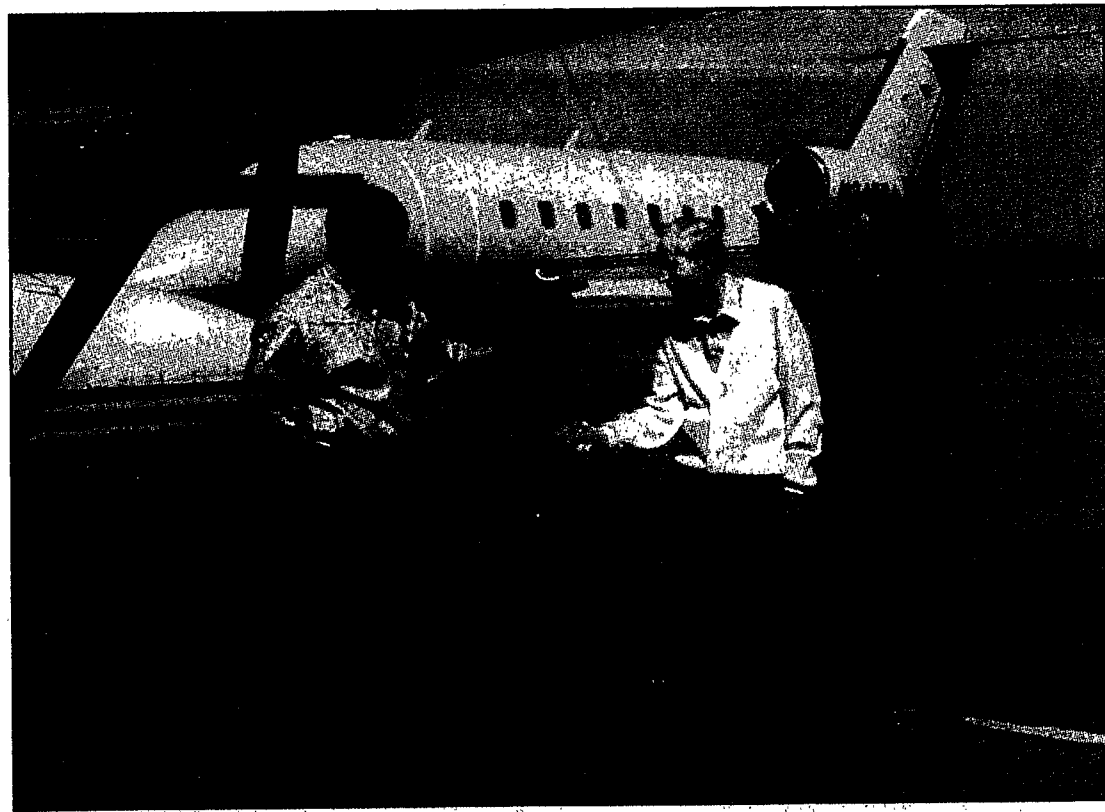
Fireman Donald Johnston took a look at the mess and immediately called the Department of Environmental Quality on Wednesday evening. By Thursday morning, the department had sent out contractors from US Environmental out of New Orleans to access the damage and clean up the mess.

One of the four employees who sent out for the cleanup, Steve McManus, said the substance looked like old motor oil. He estimated that it would take about two days to clean up the mess and require the removal of both vegetation and soil along the stream. Large absorbent pads were used to soak up the oil from the water.

Just where the oil came from is still under investigation, but it appeared to drain to the stream from a large pile of trash located on county property. Kristy Verdin said that she was told that old oil drums had been buried underground on the site.



Echo Staff Photo by Bennie Shallbetter
Steve McManus and Rocky Melton of US Environmental, contractors with the Department of Environmental Quality, begin a clean-up of an oil spill in a storm drain at Washington St. and Chapman Rd. on Thursday. The source of the oil is under investigation.



Echo Staff photo by Bennie Shallbetter
Local Tony Trapani became the first pilot to use the new Instrument Landing System (ILS) at Stennis on Thursday morning. He took along Airport manager Bill Cotter, far left, Port and Harbor director Hal Walters, far right, and Port and Harbor Commission President Bill McDonald, second from right, for the ride.

ILS system active at airport

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

It's official. The new instrument landing system (ILS) at Stennis International Airport came on line at 3 a.m. Thursday morning, said Airport manager Bill Cotter.

Cotter, President of the Port and Harbor Commission, Bill McDonald and Port and Harbor director Hal Walters celebrated the long awaited event by taking a ride, in beautiful blue skies, with pilot Tony Trapani, who became the first pilot to use the new system early Thursday morning.

"We have been working on this effort for about five years," said Walters. "It has

been a long process, even with the assistance of our congressional staff.

"This is one of the most expensive projects that the Commission has worked on with the FAA in my nine years with them," said Walters.

"With costs exceeding \$2 million, but it is well worth the cost and effort."

The ILS will enable Stennis to become an all weather airport, said Walters, and eliminate the need for plans to divert to New Orleans or Gulfport/Biloxi airports. It will be a great economic tool, he said.

"Before this," Cotter said. "Flight crews frequently diverted to one of these two airports when coming to the

Mississippi Gulf Coast to avoid any complications in case of less than perfect weather. Now planes can land at Stennis in any kind of weather."

Walters said the ILS will go a long way in drawing business to the airport, business that was not possible before the system went on line.

"We hope to attract cargo, military, corporate and commercial activities to the airport," said Walters. "And of course it will be great for general aviation also."

Cotter said he hoped the system would also open the possibility of a passenger service.

"This is a great day for this to come to our airport," said McDonald.

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Editor's note: The following is a complete list of arrests logged at the Hancock county Justice Facility from March 14 to March 21. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

- Johnny Wyatt, 35, furnishing or taking prohibited item, (warrant)
- Terry Barnes, 44, DUI (1st), no driver's license
- Norene A. Touns, 41, DUI (2nd)
- Zachary Allen Cooper, 19, false identification
- Billy K. Allen, 36, public drunk
- Ramona K. Homes, 35, DUI (1st), careless driving
- James Wolfgang Hogan, 21, speeding, DUI (1st), seat belt violation, suspended driver's license, possession of stolen property
- Robert P. Tullios, 43, DUI (other)
- Barbara D. Lee, 48, felony bad checks
- David I. Carpenter Jr., 52, DUI (1st), refused test
- Cody Allen Lafontaine, 18, public drunk
- Norman A. Bishop, 36, driving while driver's license suspended, DUI (3rd)
- Walter Richard Whitehurst, 38, following too close, DUI, refused test
- Thomas James Cochran, 39, no driver's license, no child restraint, no insurance, defective equipment
- Vince Xum Speegle, 49, DUI, improper equipment
- Tiffany Tamara Spencer, 22, contempt of court (failure to appear),

- Rodney J. Wilkinson, 22, careless driving, no insurance, DUI (1st)
- Dee Ann Dunne, 48, DUI (1st), contempt of court, (warrant)
- Stephen Dwyer Kimbrell, 19, contempt of court, (warrant)
- Everett Kirk Mitchell, 43, careless driving, driving while driver's license suspended, seat belt violation, no insurance
- Latessa Spencer, 18, contempt of court, disorderly conduct, simple assault (domestic), resisting arrest, (warrant)
- William A. Penton, 26, driving while driver's license suspended, implied consent, no proof of insurance, DUI (3rd), providing false information to police officer
- Kenneth Inman Denmark, 40, contempt of court, (warrant)
- John Alfred Schramm, 38, simple assault (domestic), leaving scene of accident, child neglect
- Keith A. Zenz, 36, uttering forgery, public drunk
- Garland Gleghurn, 26, public drunk
- Melinda Susan Bradberry, 49, contempt of court (failure to appear)
- Daniel Daugherty, 56, public drunk
- Russell L. Douglas, 42, bad checks
- Mitchell C. Robinson, 36, simple assault (domestic)
- George J. Brewer, 34, disorderly conduct, reckless driving
- Carol J. Wiggins, 41, public drunk, disorderly conduct

- **Claudis Jones, 30,** wanted person (Dallas Sheriff's Office)
- **Donnie Stroud, 43, DUI (2nd), assault on law enforcement officer, driving while driver's license suspended, careless driving**
- **Paul Landry, 29, simple assault, (warrant)**
- **Amanda McGuire, 18, bad checks**
- **Patricia Goodman, 35, bad checks**
- **Michael A. Roboteau, 49, disorderly conduct, public drunk**
- **Tabatha L. Woods, 30, careless driving, DUI (1st), possession of controlled substance**
- **Jason Mitchell, 18, driving while driver's license suspended, no insurance, switched tag**
- **Burton Christian, 21, shoplifting**
- **Mark A. Christian, 49, shoplifting**
- **Thomas Jeffrey Burk, 37, possession of firearm by felon, (warrant), hold for Pearl River Sheriff's Office**
- **David D. Merwin, 22, burglary of dwelling, (warrant)**
- **Patricia L. Goodman, 35, telephone harassment, (warrant)**
- **Josiah Hamilton, 54, prescription forgery**
- **David Eubanks, 41, escape, (warrant)**
- **Jason Cagle, 21, grand larceny**
- **Teresa T. Fennel, 47, DUI (1st), refused test, careless driving**
- **Frederick W. Chasez Jr., 45, child support**
- **Larry Ladner, 65, public intoxication, disorderly conduct**
- **Jackie Lee Steele (aka Schwartz), 36, disturbance**

- of family (domestic), contempt of court, (warrant)
- Donald H. Famularo, 18, simple possession in school
- Daniel Bowens, 49, disorderly conduct, failure to obey
- Melton Eardy Lewis Jr., 35, public drunk, disorderly conduct, failure to obey
- Chadwick D. Patton, 26, disorderly conduct
- Dora Kelly, 31, contempt of court, (warrant)
- Larry Lewis, 43, contempt of court, (warrant)
- Ronald Delos Gardner, 20, domestic violence, simple assault



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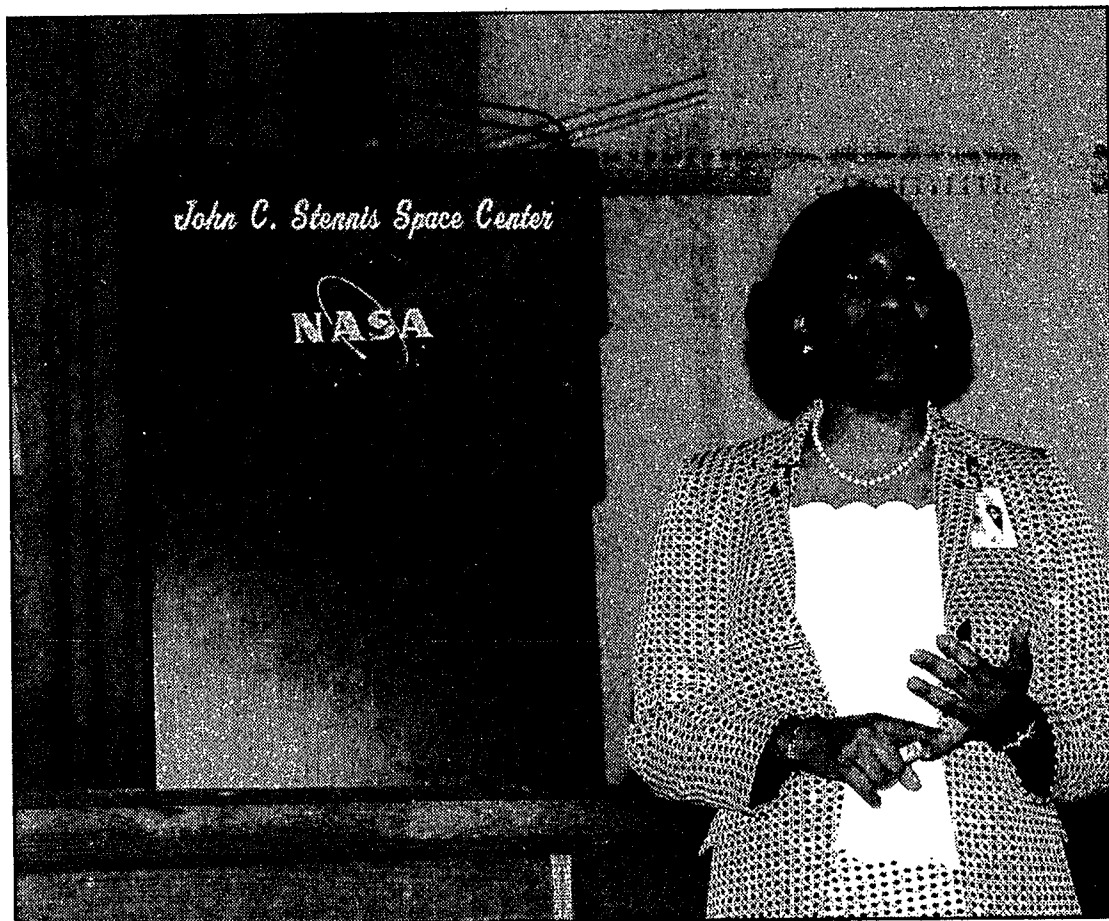
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Dr. Adena Loston, NASA's associate administrator for education, speaks to a group of NASA employees Thursday at John C. Stennis Space Center about the agency's education efforts to encourage students to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. She also gave an update on the NASA's Educator Astronaut Program.

New NASA program designed to motivate students in math, science

NASA employees learned more about the agency's education efforts and the Educator Astronaut Program Thursday during a presentation at John C. Stennis Space Center.

Vicksburg native Dr. Adena Loston, NASA's associate administrator for education, described the agency's campaign to encourage students across America to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

The Educator Astronaut Program was designed to support this campaign.

The program is aimed to "motivate students and educators to study science, technology, engineering and mathematics; attract more people to the teaching profession; and enable leading educators to reach beyond their local community and affect a larger, national audience."

According to www.edspace.nasa.gov, an Educator Astronaut is a "fully qualified member of

NASA's Astronaut Corps who has an expertise in kindergarten through 12th-grade education."

These astronauts will be trained to "perform all of the functions and responsibilities that the mission specialist astronauts are qualified to perform."

This includes space walks, International Space Station deployment and experiment management.

For more information
about the Educator
Astronaut program, visit
www.edspace.nasa.gov.

Spaghetti dinner and silent auction

Bay High "Tiger Pride" Band and Bay High Steppers Dance Team will sponsor a Spaghetti Dinner and a Silent Auction, in the Bay High Cafeteria, on Saturday, March 29th from 5 PM until 7:30 PM. The

meal will includes cold slaw, garlic bread and a drink. Desserts may be purchased, also. Eat in, or take out.

The dinner is \$5.00.
The Silent Auction proceeds will go to the Bay High Steppers. The

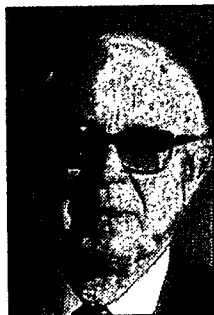
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Our prayers go out for our country's soldiers

Many of us have been glued to our television set, reading news reports and grasping any information available since the beginning of military action in Iraq.

During this great ordeal, our prayers need to go for the safety of our men and women in uniform while they are in "harm's way," and that they return home safely.

Our nation and its allies are facing a great task and one that will take some time to really complete.

Many spouses, parents, grandparents, children, relatives and friends of those in uniform have been left behind to worry about their loved ones - they too need to be remembered.

Peace is something this world needs and that means peace for even the people of Iraq, who have been under an arm of strong dictatorship.

Our nation's leaders, and those of our allies, need to be remembered also, as they have been placed under a heavy burden in freeing the people of Iraq from the grasp of Saddam Hussein.

No one likes to even talk about war, much less be involved in one, but there are times when there are no other choices.

Hopefully the war in Iraq will come to an end very fast and our men and women in uniform can then return home to be given the honors they so well deserve.

God Bless America!

Suddenly it once again feels like Spring is in the air.

The past several days have been very nice if one stays away from the gnats.

It seems that with all of the cold weather we have had it would have been hard for gnats to survive the winter.

Apparently the cold weather helped the reproduction of the critters which have often been described as "all teeth."

How something so small can be such a pest in making someone uncomfortable.

Just curious I got my Webster's out to get a definition of gnats. They say, "gnat, n., any of certain small flies, the fitting gnats or punkies of the family Ceratopogonidae, the midges of the family Chironomidae, and the black flies of the family Simuliidae."

I do not know the family our gnats come from, but for sure they are really a pest and how I hate for them to get into one of my eyes or ears. At one time, they bothered me in my hair too, but nature has taken care of the hair problems.

Making a new world, new friends

The United States is by and women finish disarm- no means "going it alone" by ing Iraq.

Saddam Hussein, free the Iraqi people and protect America from terrorists.

To the contrary, America has found many new friends in what we once would consider very unlikely places. These are historic new alliances which should signal an adjustment of our older transatlantic commitments, and our approach at the United Nations once our brave men



From the Senate

By U.S. Sen. Trent Lott

Two of America's old Cold War allies - France and Germany - have chosen to oppose America in this effort to disarm Saddam by force. The French, with well-documented and long-standing economic ties to Iraq's regime have helped protect Saddam from punishment and emboldened him, virtually ensuring this military conflict. However, let's keep this in perspective.

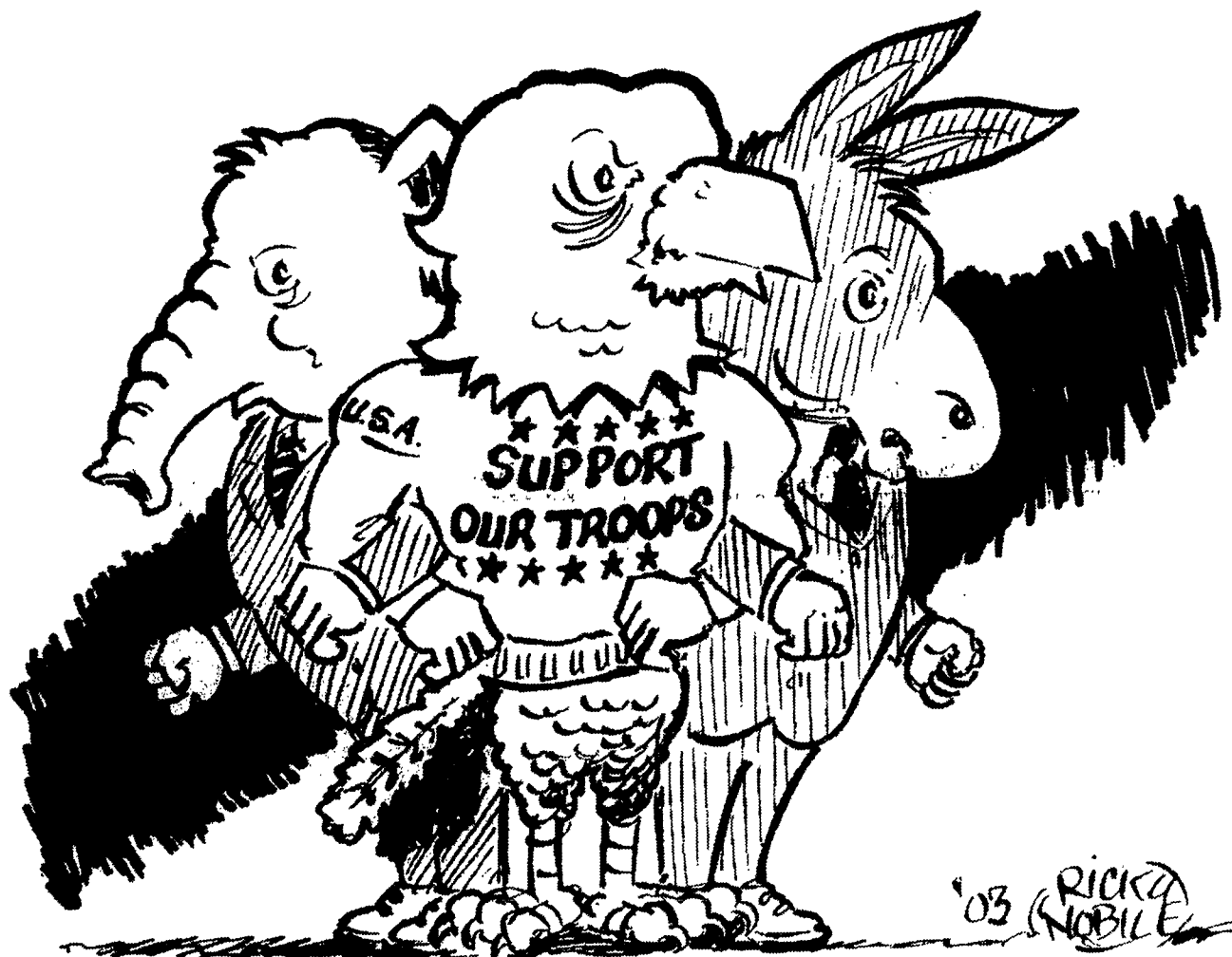
Europe is much more than France and Germany. Unlike during the Cold War, the new Europe is composed of many diverse and rapidly developing democratic states. In fact, the majority of European governments, including the United Kingdom, Spain, Bulgaria, Poland, Italy and others have acted in support of disarming Saddam by force. This is hardly "going it alone" as is often and incorrectly repeated. It is very significant that - outside of our historic ties with Great Britain and Commonwealth nations like Australia - at this moment some of America's best friends are former communist nations

in eastern Europe. These states are now fresh new members of NATO, with fresh memories of totalitarian oppression. With Soviet occupation only about a decade behind them, these countries now share American values of personal freedom, economic freedom and democratic government.

However, in western Europe, with the Cold War over and more than 60 years past World War II, we are seeing that many western Europeans actually want a weaker America, both economically and militarily. In a post 9/11 world,

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ONE THING WE AGREE ON...



State legislature briefed on action

It was hard to continue work in the Mississippi Senate this week as war kicked off in Iraq and we often turned our thoughts and prayers to those who are in danger.

On Wednesday we had a briefing and mobilization update by General James Lipscomb, the commanding officer of the Mississippi National Guard, on our forces both here and overseas.

There is not an area of our state which has not been affected by the mobilization of our Army and Air National Guard troops.

As of today we have over 2,000 troops from our Guard units on active duty in support of the war in Iraq.

What we all must keep in mind as the war effort progresses is that these troops have left behind a total of over 3,200 dependents - wives, husbands, sons, daughters, and parents, in some cases. These people need and deserve our sup-

port also in these difficult times.

Wednesday we approved a resolution supporting our National Guard troops and Thursday there was a huge rally on the Capitol steps.

We in the Senate, as I'm sure you are also, are in total support of our soldiers, sailors, and airmen, as they battle for freedom.

But our work in the Senate has to go on as we move towards a close.

This is the time of the session - conference committee time - that I find most people have trouble understanding, so I thought I'd take a little time this week to explain more fully.

As I'm sure most of you know, the Senate and the House sometimes have bills introduced in each respective chamber that are very similar in nature.

Sometimes it happens that the differences are so minor that one chamber will just accept the other's version and the bill is approved



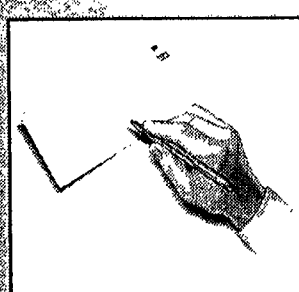
The State Senate

By State Sen. Scottie Cuevas

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



and sent immediately to the governor.

Other times there are differences that must be worked out between the two versions. When we reach this stage, the leadership in each chamber will appoint three members who are knowledgeable about the subject matter or have a particular interest in that legislation.

Those six members, called conferees, will then meet in small groups and attempt to iron out a compromise that is acceptable to each chamber.

That is the stage we are in now.

Not much work is going

on now on the chamber floors, as each chamber meets in the morning and then settles in to work in their small conferences.

Once the six conferees agree on the final version of a bill or resolution, it is then brought back to each chamber for final passage.

In the next two weeks we will be debating those conference reports as they are brought back to each chamber.

Let me know what you think about these or any other matters of interest to you by calling me in Jackson at 601-359-3770 or by writing to me at P.O. Box 1018, Jackson, Ms. 39215.

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Lott -- new world, new friends

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weakness is not an option for America. In the terrorist age, our own homeland is more prone to attack than the heart of Germany. The War on Terrorism knows no international borders or military fronts. Our posture and deployments should reflect that.

We should rethink our large military presence in western Europe, still waiting on a Soviet enemy which no longer exists. Likewise, we should be critical of proposals to close U.S. military bases here at home.

If some western Europeans are no longer comfortable with a large American military presence

in their communities, then we should consider that folks in Gulfport, Biloxi, Pascagoula, Columbus, Meridian, Hattiesburg and cities throughout America would welcome our military men and women. It may be that America should consider adjusting its large European military posture in favor of smaller, more fluid deployments.

As our military fights so bravely in the Gulf, we must remember that the failure of diplomacy to avert this conflict by no means lies with America but with the United Nations Security Council itself. When the fighting is over, we cannot

forget that the UN failed to enforce 17 of its own resolutions calling on Saddam to disarm. Former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said that America cannot exist without the UN.

I beg to differ. In fact, it is the opposite. If not for America's military pressuring Saddam, the UN inspectors never would have been allowed back in Iraq last fall. Let us not forget that it was U.S. soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines who stopped the North Korean communists in the 1950s, and our personnel halted genocide in the Balkans during the 1990s. Saddam

Hussein also will be stopped thanks again to 250,000 brave Americans in uniform who are disarming Saddam right now. They will come home to a changed world and a safer world, less infected by terrorists and tyrants like Saddam. Yet it must also be a new world, one in which America's alliances, military deployments and our approach to UN-style diplomacy should be fundamentally different.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn: Press Office)

MSDH confirms report of West Nile Virus

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Mississippi public health officials last week announced the first identification of West Nile virus (WNV) in Mississippi. Two birds from, central Hinds county were reported positive for WNV by testing performed through the State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. West Nile virus, first identified in the Western Hemisphere in 1999, has rapidly spread across the United States. This year, WNV has been reported in Georgia and in Mexico. WNV is transmitted by infected mosquitoes, and primarily affects birds, horses, and humans.

Although WNV is primarily transmitted by infected mosquitoes, there have been isolated reports of human cases arising through blood transfusion, organ donation, and breast milk, as well as, transplacental transmission. There are over 50 types of mosquito in Mississippi, but the Culex quinquefasciatus, referred to as the Southern House Mosquito, is thought to be the principal mosquito responsible for transmitting WNV.

Last year, Mississippi was one of many states that experienced the national outbreak of WNV. In Mississippi, there were 193 human cases with 12 deaths, while nationally there were over 4,000 cases, and 274 deaths.

The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) conducts surveillance year round to help identify WNV and other mosquito-borne viruses including St. Louis encephalitis (SLE), La

Crosse encephalitis (LAC), and eastern equine encephalitis (SEL). The public is encouraged to report all species of dead bird to their local health department (government pages of the

telephone book), the WNV hotline (1-877-WST-NILE), or on the MSDH web site (www.msdh.state.ms.us) if the bird is a bluejay or a crow, you may be asked to submit the bird

for testing. Birds that are submitted must be suitable for testing, this means it should;

•Have recently died, with no evidence of bugs or a bad smell •Have no evidence of trauma or other explanation for death

Handle dead birds with the use of gloves or plastic bags and double-bag the bird. It should be kept cold through refrigeration or stored in a box with bagged ice or cold packs until submitted to the health department. Birds that are not submitted should be han-

dled in a similar manner and can be discarded in the trash.

Symptoms of WNV infection are often mild or flu-like, and may include fever, headache, nausea, vomiting, a rash, and swollen lymph nodes. In a small number of persons, infection can result in encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain, or meningitis, an inflammation of the lining of the spinal cord. Either can cause paralysis, coma, and possibly death. In some instances, infected individuals may present only with neurologic disease such as a sudden onset of severe muscle weakness or paralysis. The elderly are greatest risk for more severe illness. West Nile infection can be prevented. People can help prevent the spread of WNV by cleaning up areas of standing water where mosquitoes breed and implementing personal protective measures.

State Epidemiologist, Mary Currier, MD, MPH states, "Basic mosquito control can begin at home, whether the season is spring, summer or fall. If swimming pools, gutters, and other potential mosquito breeding grounds are well-maintained, then some homeowners will eliminate a place for the biting pests to reproduce."

Measures to reduce mosquito population in and around your home include:

•Drain or dump any source of standing water around the home •Dispose of containers and debris which can collect or hold water

•Remove all leaf debris

Dispose of used tires

•Clean rain gutters and swimming pools

•Change the water in bird baths weekly

•Reduce the mosquito population by using over-the-counter larviciding products that can be purchased at home improvement stores

•Eliminate pools of standing stagnant water, especially with organic debris.

•Repair damaged or torn window and door screens that stay open

•Remove outdoor pet food and water dishes that are not being used

•Close garbage can lids.

Be sure water does not collect in the bottom of the cans

•Check around construction sites to ensure that proper backfilling and grading prevent drainage problems

Measures to protect yourself include:

•Wear long-sleeved, long-legged clothing with socks and shoes outdoors when practical

•Use mosquito repellent

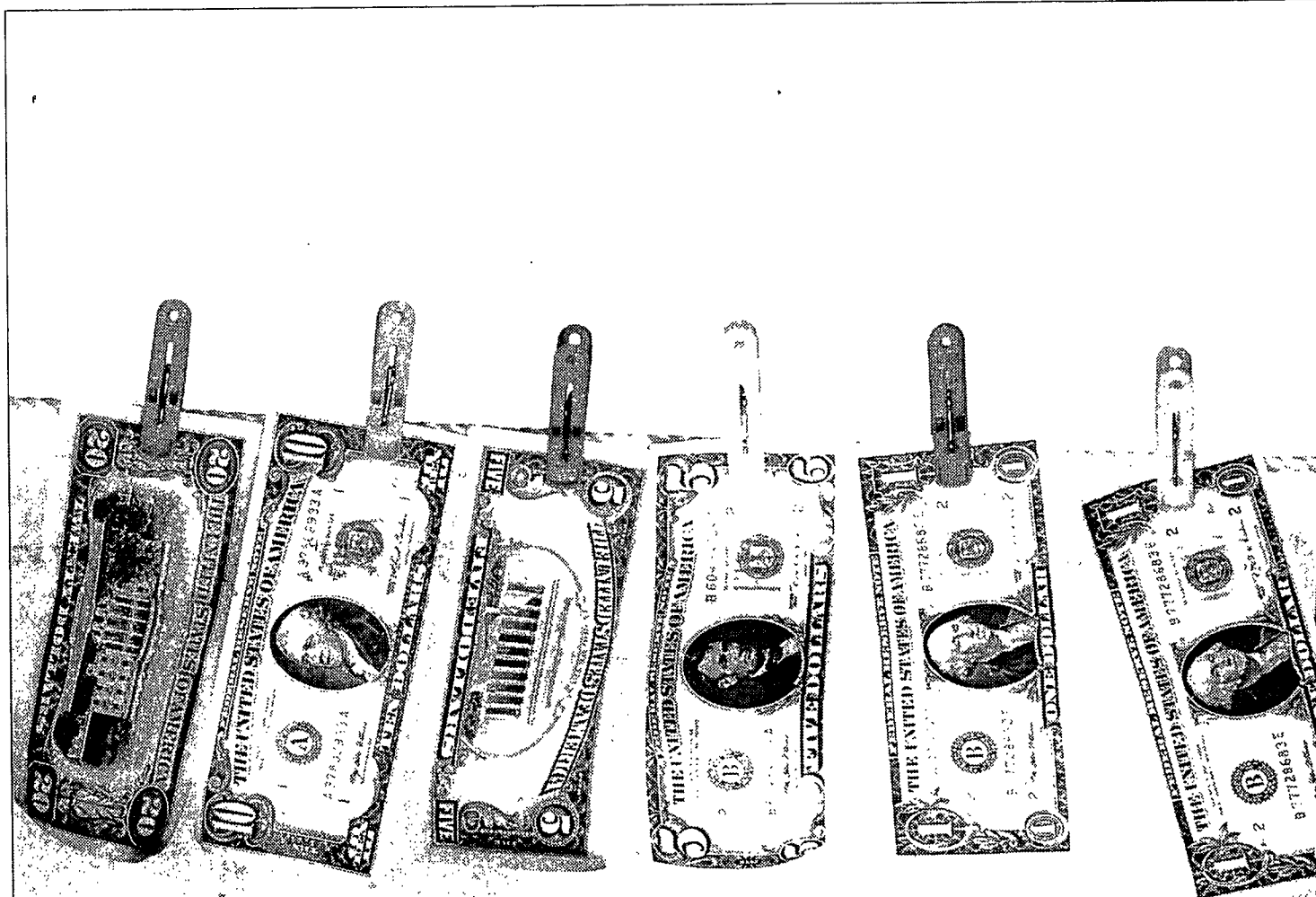
with DEET. Follow label directions. Products with 10-35 percent DEET will provide adequate protection under most conditions

Use repellent with 10% or less concentration of DEET on children as recommended by Academy of Pediatrics. Follow label directions

•Avoid mosquitoes whenever possible. Stay indoors or take personal protective

measures, especially between dusk and dawn

•Wear gloves when handling any dead bird or mammal The Mississippi State Department of Health greatly appreciates the assistance of all residents who report and submit dead birds. Information can be obtained from MSDH's web site www.msdh.state.ms.us or by calling the WNV virus hotline at 1-877-WST-NILE.



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Dig up some fun with 'Paws on Parade'

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Come out and join the fun at the third annual "Paws on Parade" and pet festival sponsored by Friends of the Animal Shelter in Hancock County on Saturday March 29 at 11:00am in Waveland.

Registration will be from 9:30 until 10:45am in Veterans Memorial Park located at Coleman Avenue and Beach Boulevard. Entry fee is \$7.00 for the first pet and \$5.00 for each additional

pet if you pre-register at any of the following: The Purple Snapper, Bookends Bookstore, and Pet Haven Veterinary Hospital in Bay St. Louis and That Cute Little Shop in Waveland. Parade day registration is \$10.00 for the first pet and \$5.00 each additional pet.

Immediately following the parade up Coleman Avenue, a pet festival will be held in the soccer field. Starting the festival will be a Blessing of the Pets by Fr.

Jack Rietti immediately followed by costume contests with prizes awarded for best costumes, largest pet, smallest pet, best trick, and owner and pet look alike. This year's judges will be Mayor Longo of Waveland, Geoff Belcher of the "Sea Coast Echo", and Scott Hawkins of the "Sun Herald".

There will be agility, obedience, and K-9 demonstrations, Madame Ju Ju the paw reader, pictures of you

and your pet with the Easter Bunny, breed rescues and other vendors. Friends of the Animal Shelter will also have a bake sale and hot dog stand. All proceeds benefit the new spay and neuter clinic being built at the Waveland Animal Shelter.

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Hancock Women's Club installation of officers



On March 13, 2003, the ladies of Hancock Women's Club held their 23rd installation meeting to reinstall their current officers for another year. Appearing from the right: President Amelia Killeen, Vice President Gayle Arnold, Treasurer Dottie Kingsmill, Secretary Lorraine Heffron and installation official Billie Jean Niver.

Phillip Pavolini seeks re-election

Phillip A. Pavolini has announced that he will be seeking re-election as Hancock Constable, District One in the 2003 elections.

Pavolini, a Democrat, is a resident of the Standard/Dedeaux Community and a member of Wolf Creek Baptist Church in the Standard Community. He and his wife Cindy are the parents of one son and one daughter.

Pavolini was elected Constable East in a special election in 2001 and is an officer with the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

In making his announcement, Pavolini said, "I would like to thank all the people who supported me in the 2001 special election and would like their continued support in the August 5, 2003 election. I have enjoyed serving the people



Phillip Pavolini

of Hancock County East as Constable and would like to continue serving you as Constable District One."

Note: Due to redistricting, Hancock County will elect three constables in 2003 elections. Pavolini's district is now Constable District One.

Beauty Queen



Sandi Seymour Necalse recently won the People's Choice Award in the Mrs. Mississippi USA Pageant. She and her husband live at Diamondhead with their two children, Bo and Drake Francis. Necalse will go on to compete in the Mrs. Mississippi Universe Pageant in Biloxi on May 28. Necalse is currently very involved with her husband's campaign as Republican candidate for the House of Representatives, District 95. Friends, family and supporters of her pageant appearances include Robert Caln, Regional Realty, Bay St. Louis attorney Pamela West, North Beach Interiors and the Trapani family.

Notice to Candidates

The deadline to submit your photo and information for a free political announcement is March 31, 2003.

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Arts -- Hancock council

The slogan, appropriately enough, is "bringing it all together."

THE ARTS is partnered with the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, the Hancock County Library System and the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau. While each of these agencies has a particular connection to arts, all share a goal of maintaining and improving quality of life in Hancock County.

"The idea of an arts organization partnering with a Chamber of Commerce, a Library and a Tourism Bureau is in itself unique. Because of this, I

was asked to participate in a workshop held by the Mississippi Arts Commission in Jackson last week," said Gwen Impson. "I was happy to share what we are doing here in Hancock County."

The first meeting of the arts group in late November drew 48 people, the second meeting in late January drew almost a hundred people. From the very beginning, volunteers have offered to help out by making phone calls, distributing flyers and working on committees. Input has been solicited through questionnaires circulated through-

out the community and at the

meetings. From the comments received, the mission statement and goals are being finalized.

Individuals who have returned the questionnaires reveal a wide variety of artistic interests besides the traditional art forms. Some work in brass, copper, steel, or cement while others work with glass, fiber or ceramics.

Ballet and belly dancing, video and computer graphics, play writing and set design, printmaking and papermaking are other means of creative expression.

"Bringing it all together"

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Busted -- shoplifting spree

the truck and I was called to the scene."

Fizer continued, "The vehicle was seized and the father and son in addition to a female passenger were transported to the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility for further investigation."

"Mark Christian, 49 and Burton Christian, 21, both of California, were arrested and charged with shoplifting. Both were still in jail

Friday, being held with bonds of \$5,000 each," Fizer said.

"During the investigation and assortment of new tools, electronic equipment, a U.S. Customs Officer's bullet proof vest, etc. was found in the vehicle, much of it coming from such stores as Lowes, Sears, Ace Hardware and Truck Stops," Fizer reported.

The female was not arrested, as she was report-

ed as not being involved in the shoplifting, Fizer said.

"Quick action by the Exxon clerk in addition to a rapid response by deputies made the arrest possible and all should be commended," Fizer added.

From what Fizer could secure in the investigation, the group left California two weeks ago headed for Florida and apparently shoplifted along the way, possibly at hundreds of

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stores and trucks and then sold some of the items at other trucks stops for cash for traveling expenses along the way.

Chief Investigator Bob Lambert said, "We are now making efforts across the states trying to contact the various owners. Some of the electronics were of high values. I am surprised they were not caught before reaching our area."

Coming up roses



Local florist wins 'Designer of the Year'

A local florist from Bloomers Flowers won the title of Mississippi Florist Association's Designer of the Year. Alicia Cool competed in 5 categories against 8 other florists from around the state.

Alicia won first place in Wedding Bouquet, Corsage, Funeral & Surprise Package. She placed 2nd in the Center Piece category.

Her overall score won her the esteemed title of "Designer of the Year". She will travel in August to represent the state of Mississippi at the Southern Retail Convention and compete for the regional title.

This year's Mississippi Florist Association annual convention was held at the Vicksburg Convention Center.

National Guard deployed to cover ports

BY EMILY WAGSTER
PETTUS

Associated Press Writer JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Before war with Iraq began last week, Mississippi officials secured ports and the state's only nuclear plant and evaluated whether extra protection was needed at airports and other public facilities.

Maj. Gen. James Lipscomb III, adjutant general of the Mississippi National Guard, told lawmakers on Wednesday that guard members will fulfill their duties at home and abroad. About 4,500 guardsmen and reservists have been activated as part of the buildup to war.

"I know you, like I, ask yourself have we done enough as we send soldiers in harm's way," Lipscomb told the state Senate. "Continue to keep those families in your prayers and ask the Lord to protect them as they protect us."

National Guard troops were protecting Mississippi River ports in Vicksburg and Washington County and Gulf Coast ports in Pascagoula, Gulfport and Hancock County.

Troops also were deployed to the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, near the Mississippi River in rural Claiborne County.

Members of the state Homeland Security Council met twice Wednesday to discuss how state agencies will enact wartime safety measures.

"It's so we have a plan of action rather than just reaction," said Amy Carruth, spokeswoman for the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency.

The state Senate passed a resolution supporting U.S. troops and President Bush.

But some senators withheld their votes, saying they were pressured to show total support for war when they have mixed feelings

about how the United States should deal with Iraq.

"I'm in full support of all of the troops involved and their families and the dangers and sacrifices that they are exposed to," said Sen. Bennie Turner, D-West Point. "I don't think it's required of me to vote on the performance of the president and his entire Cabinet. To that extent, I regret that they were tied together."

Turner was one of three senators who voted "present" on the war resolution, which has only symbolic value. Forty-one senators voted for it and eight did not vote.

Senate President Pro Tempore Travis Little, R-Corinth, said after the vote: "This is a time to lay aside all partisanship and all those things and we all become Americans in support of our military."

The resolution said: "It is our earnest prayer that the job be done well and swiftly and that the return home to family and friends be safe and soon."

It also said: "We do hereby express our support of President George W. Bush and the president's Cabinet for their courage and decision to remove Saddam Hussein from power."

In Claiborne County, some residents said they were not worried about the possibility of terrorist attacks on the Grand Gulf nuclear plant. Doug Nasif, manager of M&M Super Store, said people there have gotten so used to the massive plant that they assume security is a given.

Nasif said some of his grocery store's customers, though, have been stewing over the international give-and-take of the Iraqi crisis, especially French opposition to the United States' use of force.

"We have had some that

refused to buy the Danon water, which is a French product," Nasif said. "A woman came in last week

and said she wouldn't buy it because it's French. I said, 'Oh, you better not do any kissing.'"

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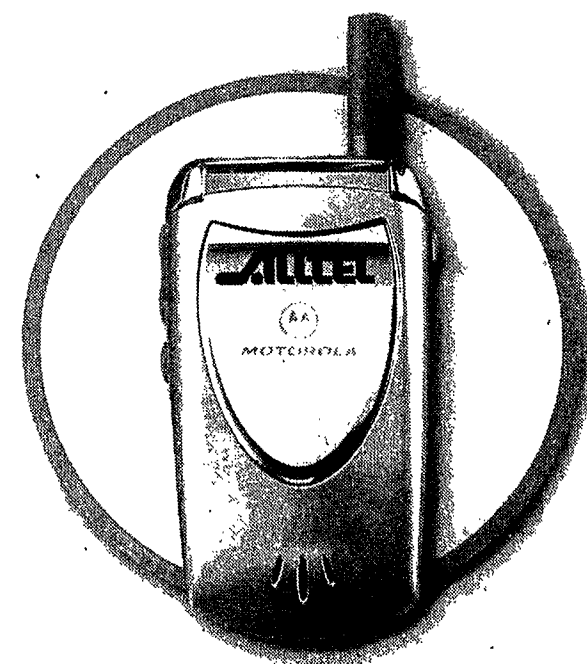
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Obituaries

JULIA F. BLACKWELL INEZ MORAN SMITH JAMES SWILLEY

JULIA F. BLACKWELL
Julia Frances Blackwell, 67, of Lumberton, MS, died at her residence on Friday, March 21, 2003.

Ms. Blackwell was a homemaker, of the Baptist Faith, and a graduate of Lumberton High School.

Survivors include, six sisters, Pauline Reid of Bay St. Louis; Miriam Broadus of Collins, MS; June Broadus of Lumberton; Merle Bass of Denver, Colo.; Betty Cannon of Lumberton; and Shirley Carlisle of Wiggins, MS, four brothers, A.J. Blackwell, Sr., of Hattiesburg, MS; Robert Blackwell of Lumberton; J.T. Blackwell of Lumberton; and Edward Blackwell of Mobile, AL.

A visitation will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 23, followed by services at White

Funeral Home, Lumberton, MS with Rev Tommy Odom officiating.

Burial will be in the Lumberton Cemetery.

INEZ MORAN SMITH

Inez V. Moran Smith, 68, of Long Beach died Wednesday, 3-19-03 in Gulfport after a courageous 3 year battle with ALS.

She was a native of Kiln, MS and had been a longtime resident of Long Beach. She graduated from Kiln High School and attended Perkinston Junior College; She was a secretary in the public works department and a telephone

operator at the SeaBee Base for 30 years and later served as a baby sitter for 12 years. She was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, member of the Knights of Columbus St. Vincent de Paul Council #4898 Ladies Auxillary,

member of the Carnival Association of Long Beach.

Preceded in death by her parents: Sylvester and Velina Necaise Moran; sister: Doris Moran

Survivors include her husband, Tracy Smith, Long Beach; 2 daughters: Tracie Peoples and son-in-law Shelby Peoples of Gulfport & Donota O'Connell of Long Beach; 2 sons: Larry Smith and daughter-in-law Kim Smith, Long Beach & Timothy Smith of Long Beach; 3 brothers: Robert R. Moran, Jack Moran & Huey Moran of

Gulfport; 2 sisters: Betty M. Ladner, Dedeaux Community & Ouida Ziemke, Janesville, MN; 4 grandchildren: Lauren Smith, Corey Smith, Lydia O'Connell and Emily O'Connell; beloved pets: Katie and Holley; numerous other relatives and special grandchildren.

Visitation will be Thurs.,

3-20-03 from 6-9 pm at Riemann Funeral Home, 505 Jeff Davis Ave., Long Beach. A prayer service will be at 7:30 pm

The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 am Friday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with visitation 1 hour prior in the church.

Interment will be in Long Beach City Cemetery

Memorials may be sent to St. Thomas Catholic Church, 720 E. Beach, Blvd, Long Beach, MS 39560 or to Quality Hospice, 1001 Howard Ave., Biloxi, MS 39530 Riemann Funeral Home Long Beach in charge of arrangements.

JAMES SWILLEY

James H. Swilley, 68, of Pass Christian, MS, died Friday, March 21, 2003, in Gulfport, MS.

Services are pending at Riemann Funeral Home, 1718 25th Avenue, Gulfport.

Krewe of Notre Dame de la Mer presents its 13th annual Mardi Gras bal masque

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Notre Dame de la Mer Retirement Apartments recently presented its 13th annual Mardi Gras bal masque.

Theme of ball: Lets Dance

Queen de la Mer 13th was Juliette Cohen

Resident of Notre Dame Retirement Apartments for 3 years. Queen de la Mer has served as President of Notre Dame's Resident Council over two years, and has worked on several committees at Notre Dame. She is always willing to assist other residents with what ever the need may be. Queen de la Mer is an asset to all who know her and the staff of Notre Dame de la Mer. Retired Registered Nurse out of Metairie, LA. Two daughters and one son.

King's name & biography: King Notre Dame the 13th - Richard Kaizer

Kaizer has been a resident of Notre Dame Retirement Apartments 6 months. King Richard is our youngest senior at Notre Dame he and his wife moved in late last year. King Richard is our youngest senior King. Even through King Richard and his wife have only been residents a short time, both of them are always willing to work on various committees for our council and for the beautification of Notre Dame.

King Richard started a fall garden at Notre Dame and is planning a summer one.

Royalty Attire: Queen Juliette wore a formal evening dress with pearls, rhinestones and sequins on a gold lamiae dress and matching pumps. The Queen wore the 286 rhinestones crown, purchased by the resident council fund 3 years ago.

The Queen was presented roses from her two daughters and son-in-law, and a bouquet of roses from the former King Lamar. She was presented a Proclamation from Mayor Eddie Farve's office, presented by Fire Chief Gavagine and a beautiful Proclamation from the office of Supervisor Lisa Cowan of Beat Three, Bay St. Louis, MS. Mayor Tommy Longo of Waveland presented the Queen with a beautiful Key



King Richard and Queen Juliette of the Krewe of Notre Dame de la Mer.

to -the City of Waveland.

Royalty Attire: King Richard wore a black suit, white dress shirt with Carnival color tie. His crown was on loan from B.P.O.E. #978 the Gulfport Elk's Lodge.

The crown was gold over lay with 50 carnival color rhinestones.

The King was presented a Proclamation from Mayor Eddie Farve's office, presented by Fire Chief Gavagine and a beautiful Proclamation from the office of Supervisor Lisa Cowan of District Three, Bay St. Louis, MS.

Mayor Tommy Longo of Waveland presented the King with a beautiful Key to the City of Waveland.

Former King & Queen: King Notre Dame the 12th Lamar Easterland and Queen de la Mer the 12th Iris Bailey, took their positions on the throne to open the festival.

They gave the royalty seats over to the new King and Queen and left the floor, to the tune of "Until I Waltz with you again".

Page to the Queen: Returning 3 year old

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Princess Madson Miller, daughter of Bobby and Kelly Kern.

Pages to the King: Returning 9 year old Prince Tyler Miller, son of Bobby and Kelly Kern.

Duchess: Jacqueline Kaizer wore a formal dress, royal blue sleeveless with matching piping of satin and heavy embroidery.

Duke: Bobby Kern, wore a black suit with non-collar tuxedo shirt.

Duchess: Mary Pangborn wore a colorful 2-piece suit, with Mardi Gras beads

Duke: Bobby Kennedy wore brown pants with brown leather jacket.

Mistress of Ceremony: Michele Tine

Special entertainment: Music was provided by M & M Music, of Waveland, MS, (Mike Marsh)

2nd line dancers: From the Knights of Columbus Ladies Aux.

Notre Dame's KCM

Dancers:

Kelly Kern, welcome every one with a dance from the islands to the tune of "Tiny Bubbles"

Christina Kennedy, welcomed everyone in an Irish, flare to the tune "Roll out the Barrels"

Missy Marsh welcomed everyone in a wizard flare to the tune of "You've got the Magic Touch".

Wild Cat's dance group of Hancock County with Captain Sandra -White Bangle Tiger and little Cat's. Areo Bell, D'Asia Watson, Jasiman Swanger, Ferren Washington, Cassie Duvernay and Elexix Dorsey, entertained the guest and all members to "Workit" Turkessa McGowan set the seine in motion.

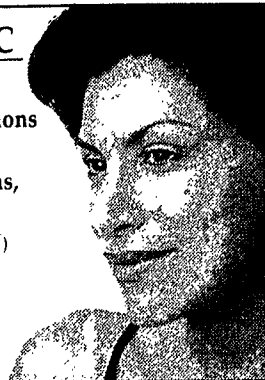
Open the festivities in prayer: Sr. Rebecca Rutkowski

Krewe of Notre Dame Captain: Ken Tine.

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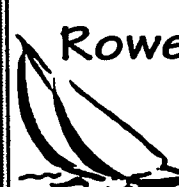
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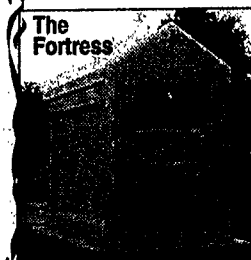
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BUSINESS NEWS

State's jobless rate at 7 percent in January

BY BARBARA POWELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS
WRITER

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — More people lost their jobs in January as the state's jobless rate increased to 7 percent despite the number of workers on Mississippi payrolls actually rising from the month before.

Overall, there were 7,800 fewer people working in January than in December, bringing the number of unemployed in the state to 92,500. There were a total of 1,221,600 Mississippians holding down jobs in January, an increase of 1,900 over December.

The hardest hit county was Webster where unemployment reached 21 per-

cent and where 690 of the 3,280-person workforce were out of work. The sparsely populated north central Mississippi county was hit by a spate of factory closings: Three garment makers, two furniture manufacturers, a woodworking plant and a plastics plant also shut their doors.

A total of 32 counties had double-digit jobless rates. Three counties, Lamar Rankin and Oktibbeha, had jobless rates below 4 percent.

State employment officials blamed January's state rise in unemployment on traditional post-Christmas retail job losses coupled with weather-related construction slowdowns.

"We always expect the state's rate to rise from December to January," said Curt Thompson, executive director of the Mississippi Employment Security Commission.

Mississippi's unemployment rate rose to 7 percent in January, climbing one-half of a percentage point from December's 6.5 percent. But January's rate was a slight improvement over the same period last year, when the jobless rate hit 7.2 percent.

Initial claims for unemployment also fell to 18,978 in January from 23,507 in December. Nationwide, initial jobless claims dropped last week for the second week in a row, but the four-

week average hit a 10-month high of 429,500.

Mississippi is several weeks behind in releasing unemployment data; it won't release February data until the middle of April. By contrast, the U.S. Labor Department almost two weeks ago released February's national unemployment rate, which was 5.8 percent, up from 5.7 percent in January.

Jan Garrick, a spokeswoman for the MESC, blamed the delay on the fact that the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics has instituted new reporting systems for the states, including adding new job classifications.

Bank announces new vice presidents

Hancock Bank President and Chief Executive Officer George A. Schloegel has announced officer promotions approved recently during Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank board of directors regular March 2003 board meeting:

Kirk Bourgeois, Vice President, Bay St. Louis native Bourgeois serves as an asset/liability analyst with Hancock Holding Company's finance department. He joined Hancock over four years ago and has served as a trust audit officer and trust technology and compliance manager. The Bay St. Louis High School graduate received a bachelor of science degree in business administration, with a major in banking and finance, from the University of Southern Mississippi. Bourgeois has 12 years of experience in the financial services industry and is a Bank Administration Institute Certified Bank Auditor and Fiduciary and Investment Risk Management Association (FIRMA) Certified Trust Auditor. He is a member of FIRMA and the Institute of Internal Auditors.

Mike Cook, Vice President Branch manager and cluster leader for Hancock Bank's downtown Gulfport branch, Cook has a 12-year career with Hancock that includes service as a loan officer for the bank's Central Division and as manager of the Pineville Road branch in Long Beach.

Freida Dobson, Vice President, Picayune native Dobson graduated from Picayune Memorial High School and studied business at Pearl River Community College. She is also a 2002 graduate of the Mississippi School of Banking and has

completed numerous American Institute of Banking courses. Dobson joined Hancock Bank over 26 years ago. A former branch operations manager at Hancock's Picayune Northside branch, she now serves as manager of that office. She has also managed Hancock Bank's Stennis branch.

Brent Fairley, Vice President, Commercial loan officer Fairley has also served Hancock Bank as a credit analyst and a recovery department adjuster. With almost nine years of financial services experience, Harrison Central High School graduate Fairley holds an associate's degree from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and a bachelor's degree in banking and finance from The University of Mississippi.

John C. Keilholz, Vice President, Biloxi main branch manager Keilholz joined Hancock Bank ten years ago and has also served the company as a lender at the bank's Poppo Ferry office and a recovery department adjuster. The Ocean Springs native graduated from St. Martin High School and holds a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Paul Queyrouze, Vice President, New Orleans native Paul graduated from Jesuit High School in New Orleans and holds a bachelor of science degree in finance from Louisiana Technical University and a master of business administration degree from Loyola University. He joined Hancock Bank in 2001 and has almost 13 years of financial services experi-



KIRK BOURGEOIS



MIKE COOK



FREDIA DOBSON



BRENT FAIRLEY



JOHN C. KEILHOLZ



PAUL QUEYROUZE

ence. Queyrouze is Hancock Holding Company's asset liability committee (ALCO) manager in Hancock's finance department.

Child care providers complete training

Renee Boudreaux and Christy Lapniewski of Bay-Waveland Montessori School, and Marcelle Turnbough of Hancock County HRA Child Development Center in Bay St. Louis have successfully completed the Child Care Director's Credential Training Program, conducted by the Jackson-based

Forum on Children and Families, and required for individuals to earn the designation of Credentialed Director.

The Director's Credential is a statewide training program for child care center administrators operating licensed programs in the state of Mississippi. The 135 hours of training helps improve the quality of care and the operation of safe, sustainable businesses.

Parents should look for credentialed directors when making child care choices, said Jane Boykin, President of the Forum. When you see

so many administrators willing to commit classroom hours to training, you also see an indication of the commitment these individuals have to the children and families they serve.

For more information about the Director's Credential training program, contact the Forum on Children and Families at 601-355-4911. The training is funded with support from the Child Care Development Fund, administered by the Office for Children and Youth, Mississippi Department of Human Services.

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Submitted by Craig Foster, Edward Jones Co.

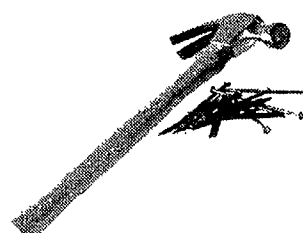
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF TANYA PRESTENBACH, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2003-218

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: THE UNKNOWN OR KNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS THE HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF TANYA PRESTENBACH, DECEASED.

You have been made Respondents in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Edra Prestenbach, Petitioner. The Petition filed against you is a civil action seeking to adjudicate Sierra Blair Sizemore and Lacey Quinn Parsons sole and only heirs at law of Tanya Prestenbach, deceased all as fully set out in the Petition on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST SAID PETITION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2003, IN THE CHANCERY COURTROOM OF THE COURTHOUSE OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire in care of Jessica Sibley Upshaw & Associates, Post Office Box 6607, Gulfport, Mississippi, 39506-6607. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this 14th day of March, 2003.

(Seal)

TIM A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY MISSISSIPPI
BY: Pamela Cuevas, D.C.
03/16, 03/23, 03/30/03

Public Notices

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCKNOTICE OF SALE FOR DELINQUENT
CONDOMINIUM ASSESSMENTS

WHEREAS, on March 15, 1996, MARK A. BUECHE and RONNIE C. BUECHE accepted that certain Warranty Deed conveying the real property described hereinbelow. Said deed was filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi on March 20, 1996 and recorded in Deed Record Book BB134, pages 324-425. That by acceptance of the said Warranty Deed, MARK A. BUECHE and RONNIE C. BUECHE assumed the obligations associated with the hereinbelow described property including but not limited to the responsibility of payment of assessments for maintenance and operations assessed by FRIENDSHIP OAKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. and

WHEREAS, MARK A. BUECHE and RONNIE C. BUECHE have failed and refused to pay certain monthly maintenance and operation assessments and interest due thereon resulting in the filing of a Notice of Condominium Lien in the office of Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi on March 25, 2002. Said lien was recorded in Condominium Lien Book 1, at pages 107 et seq and subsequently amended and supplemented by that certain Notice filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi on January 8, 2003 and recorded in Condominium Lien Book 1, page 127 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the FRIENDSHIP OAKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. has appointed C. Stephen Benvenuti, attorney at law, as its legal representative to enforce the lien provisions of MISS CODE ANN §89-9-21 in order to recover the unpaid assessments and pursue foreclosure of the real property described hereinbelow pursuant to MISS CODE ANN §89-1-55; and

WHEREAS, default having been made by MARK A. BUECHE and RONNIE C. BUECHE in payment of assessments as required under the Declaration of Condominium and By-Laws of FRIENDSHIP OAKS CONDOMINIUMS and the unpaid assessments have become a debt secured by the real property described hereinbelow and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Declaration of Condominium and By-Laws of FRIENDSHIP OAKS CONDOMINIUMS, the legal holder of the indebtedness, having requested the undersigned legal representative to execute the trust and to sell the land and property in accordance of the terms of MISS CODE ANN §89-9-21 and MISS CODE ANN §89-1-55 and the Declaration of Condominium of FRIENDSHIP OAKS CONDOMINIUMS for the purpose of raising the sums due together with attorney's fees, legal representative fees and the expenses of the sale.

NOW THEREFORE, I, C. STEPHEN BENVENUTI, legal representative of FRIENDSHIP OAKS OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS, INC. will on the 14th day of April, 2003, offer within legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.), at the main front door of the county courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Building 3, Unit 115D, FRIENDSHIP OAKS CONDOMINIUMS, as per the official map or plat thereof recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 7, pages 32-35 thereof, and according to the Declaration thereof, and any amendments thereto recorded in the Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi, together with an undivided 3.40% interest per unit in the common elements of said project.

Together with all and singular the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining. I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as legal representative of FRIENDSHIP OAKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. WITH MY SIGNATURE this 19th day of March, 2003.

C. STEPHEN BENVENUTI
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CAP LOAN PROGRAM
Public Notice

The Board of Supervisors, acting for and on behalf of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "County") took up for consideration the matter of authorizing and approving a loan on behalf of the County from the Mississippi Development Authority (the "MDA") for the purpose of completing capital improvements identified as:

Construction of a building to house a technology company at the Stennis International Airport.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Governing Body of the County does hereby declare its intention to enter into a loan agreement with the Department in the principal amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for the purpose of completing the capital improvements identified above.

Section 2. The Loan will be secured by a Note executed and delivered by the County MDA. Failure of the County to meet its repayment obligations shall result in the forfeiture of sales tax allocation or homestead exemption reimbursement in an amount sufficient to repay obligations due until such time as the indebtedness has been discharged or arrangements to discharge such indebtedness satisfactory to MDA have been made.

Section 3. The Governing Body proposes to authorize and approve the Loan from MDA in the amount and for the aforesaid purposes at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at the County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 7th day of April, 2003, or at some meeting held subsequent thereto. This date assigned to authorize and approve the aforementioned loan documents has been set to meet program requirements which mandate that four public notices be issued prior to loan closing. This will allow sufficient time for public comments.

Whereupon it was moved by Supervisor Steve Seymour, seconded by Supervisor Lyone Ladner, that the foregoing resolution be adopted. The motion having received the following vote of the Governing Body, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, on this 3rd day of March, 2003.

Rodrick Pullman, President
Hancock County Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, Mississippi

YEAS: Lyone Ladner
Rodrick Pullman
Lisa Coward
Steve Seymour
Jay Cuevas

(SEAL)

Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
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Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES BY ZADIE ROGERS,
SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
AND D.B. AND D.B. MINORS,
BY AND THROUGH NEXT FRIEND
ZADIE ROGERS

PETITIONERS
VS.
CHARISMA RUDOLPH
WILLIAM BUCKHALTER

RESPONDENT
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 2002-130
CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

TO: William Buckhalter, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by Zadie Rogers, Social Services Regional Director, and, D.B. and D.B. Minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services. YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 2003, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURT IN GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGEMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE.

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Elephants are Everywhere! will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 26, at 10:30 a.m.

Elmer the Elephants, How to Catch an Elephant and The Obvious Elephant are the books to be read. Susan Daigre, program coordinator, will assist the children in making a tissue collage of Elmer.

Eric Carle's Critters is the theme for the children's story hour at the Kiln Public Library on Thursday,

March 27, at 10:30 a.m.

The Very Clumsy Click Beetle, The Very Lonely Firefly and The Very Quick Cricket are the books to be read during the program.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one half hour, depending upon subject matter and planned activity. Programs and activities

are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

WRANPS needs volunteers

Spring is here and that means baby animals! At this time every year WRANPS (Wildlife Rehabilitation & Nature Preservation Society) is flooded with injured or orphaned baby animals. Unfortunately, many of the animals are not truly orphaned, yet are still "rescued" by kindhearted yet uninformed people (remember to call us first 452-9453). If you love Mississippi's local wildlife

and would like to begin learning how to legally and correctly care for it, become a member and attend a volunteer orientation at WRANPS. Train to be a transporter or clinic volunteer. Help strengthen our network by learning the proper response to an injured or orphaned animal. 25\$/yr membership, apply on line at www.wranps.org. Call 228-452-WILD (9453) for details and directions.

Easter food drive begins

THE SEA COAST ECHO Cellular South will kick off an Easter Food Drive on March 30 which will benefit three Coast charities- Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, The Food Pantry in Bay St. Louis and The Lord is My Help in Ocean Springs. The Drive will be promoted on K-99 FM and Magic 93.7 FM.

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Fibromyalgia support group meets

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SPORTS

Local sailors in national championships

A group of twelve Bay-Waveland Yacht Club sailors and junior sailors traveled six hundred miles to Gulfport, Florida, near St. Petersburg, to compete in the Sunfish Midwinter National Championship Regatta. This annual sailing event was hosted this year by Boca Ciega Yacht Club, March 12-15.

An international lineup of eighty-three talented sailors, many of them world class, competed in the five race series. The weather during the four days of racing was sunny to partly cloudy with very little wind and calm seas up to ten knots of wind with moderate seas. One day of racing was canceled for lack of steady wind.

The BWYC sailors who made the trip were Bishop Steffel, brothers Clinton and Todd Edwards, Todd's wife Anne Edwards, Peter Merrifield, Marcus Eagan, and junior sailors Marcus Eagan's brother Andrew Eagan, Johnny White, John Chapoton, Paul Keith, Phillip Tanner, and his brother Erik Tanner. The Bay junior sailors had to complete their school work in advance to make up for classes they would miss.

Larry Keith, Paul Keith's

dad, accompanied the group with his power boat to provide safety support, and on-the-water logistical support.

A low point scoring system was used to determine the final standings. Skippers were awarded points according to how they finished in each race, one point for finishing first, two points for finishing second, and so on. The skipper who accumulated the fewest points during the five race series, with no throw outs, was the overall winner.

The regatta was won by Juan Maegli, from Guatemala, with twenty-three points. Second place was taken by Malcolm Smith, from Bermuda, with twenty-four points, and Marcus Eagan, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club, USA, was third, with twenty-nine points.

The final positions of the rest of the BWYC group was Clinton Edwards, 8th, Bishop Steffel, 12th, Andrew Eagan, 23rd, Todd Edwards, 25th, Peter Merrifield, 34th, Paul Keith, 37th, Anne Edwards, 39th, Johnny White, 58th, Erik Tanner, 62nd, Phillip Tanner, 66th, and John Chapoton, 72nd.

The regatta also featured a team race in which four-

boat teams representing their respective districts competed against each other. Each district was allowed to have multiple teams.

During the race team members helped their teammates finish in a higher position by hindering members of other teams at opportune times while maintaining as good a position as possible. An individual victory was not important. This strategy is allowed under the rules, and is the focal point of team racing. Team scores were determined by adding together the points awarded to each team member according to how they finished.

The Gulf Coast Blue Crabs team successfully defended their title, and another Gulf Coast team took second place.

The members of the winning team were Marcus Eagan, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club, Clinton Edwards, Bay-Waveland, Bishop Steffel, Bay-Waveland, and Tom Whitehurst, Pensacola Beach Yacht Club.

The second place team was made up of Andrew Eagan, Bay-Waveland, John Chapoton, Bay-Waveland, Paul Keith, Bay-Waveland,

and Ryan Hamilton, Pontchartrain Yacht Club. The members of this team are all junior sailors.

The Sunfish is a fifteen foot long sailboat with low freeboard, a deck with a small cockpit, and is equipped with a single lateen sail (triangular shaped). It's usually raced solo because of its small size and small cockpit.

The skipper doesn't have anyone else aboard to help formulate strategy before the start of a race, keep track of competitors and plot tactics during a race, hunt for better wind and wind shifts while racing, or help meet the often strenuous physical demands of sailing it. Racing a Sunfish is a do-it-all-yourself adventure.

These popular boats are day sailed and raced worldwide in great numbers by novices and serious sailors of all ages. It's an excellent craft for both adult and junior sailors. Sir Paul McCartney (the Beatles) was seen sailing one not long ago on Lake Pontchartrain in New Orleans while there for his concert, as is his habit wherever he goes.

Bay-Waveland Yacht Club will play host to the prestigious annual Sunfish North American Championship Regatta, July 12-17. Eighty to 120 sailors from as many as ten countries are expected to participate.

Lady Wildcats end season with 71-53 consolation loss

SALINA, Kan. Pearl River Community College's Lady Wildcats wrapped up an impressive 2002-2003 season with a 71-53 consolation loss to Tyler Junior College (Tex.) in the women's NJCAA National Tournament here Friday.

No. 12-seeded PRCC, the Region XXIII champion, fell to fifth-seeded Garden City (Kan.) 91-76 in Tuesday's opening-round action of the double-elimination tournament to drop into the losers' bracket, but bounced back with a 65-49 demolition of the North Dakota College of Science Lady Wildcats in Thursday's consolation quarter-finals.

"You hate to end such a successful season on a note like this, but somebody has got to lose," said third-year PRCC head coach Ed Walley. "We can still look back on our season as one of extreme accomplishment. And we're the first team representing our region in the past three years that has gone to the nationals and won a game. The last two came up here and went two and out."

Both teams entered the game with identical 24-8 records, but it was all Tyler from the outset. The Apache Ladies held the Lady Wildcats scoreless for the first six minutes after powering in a commanding 15-point advantage.

"We weren't mentally in the game," said Walley. "Against a team as big, strong, and quick as Tyler, you've got to have your head into the game. We didn't get settled down until the second half and played with them toe-to-toe."

Kristie McKinley got The River's scoring untracked, sinking a pair of foul shots with six minutes gone in the first half, but TJC continued to dominate. With 8:30 left before the intermission, Stacey Szymanski sank a bucket off a put back to pump the Apache

Ladies' lead to 21 points, then Brook Busby's trey at the 4:15 mark kicked off an 8-6 run to end the half and give Tyler a 46-20 advantage its largest of the game at halftime.

In the second half, things weren't quite as dismal for PRCC, as the Lady 'Cats outpointed Tyler 33-20 to pull to within 13 66-53 in the final minutes. But Tyler ended the game with a 5-0 run to ice the win and its berth in Saturday's consolation finals.

"Regardless, we can boast a season of accomplishment," said Walley. "This is only the second time in school history that PRCC has gone to the nationals and I feel like we represented Region XXIII well. This is a good group of players and I'm very proud of their effort."

"This is an experience these girls and myself will cherish for the rest of their lives. There's not many basketball players that can say they actually had the opportunity to compete for a national championship."

Audoshia Kelley, a two-year All-State, All-Region XXIII shooting guard from Savannah, Ga., paced the Lady Wildcats with 25 points, including PRCC's only trey of the game; while the remainder of the squad managed only single digit totals. Samantha Flenory added eight points, while Jancsi Newsome scored six. Kira Tillman and Kim Winfrey added four each, while Monique Dale, Kristie McKinley, and Liz Palmer scored two each.

Tillman was the Lady Wildcats' leading rebounder with seven boards, while Newsome and Stephanie Gonzales grabbed six each and McKinley had five.

The Lady Wildcats finished their season at 24-9, while the Apache Ladies improved to 25-8.

National Senior Women's Tennis gets underway March 31st at Diamondhead

For the seventh consecutive year, Diamondhead Tennis World has been selected by the United States Tennis Association as the site of the annual National Senior Women's Tennis Championship for 60, 70 and 80s age divisions.

"The U.S.T.A. selected Diamondhead again this year, because of its first-rate facility, excellent tennis environment, and the many local social activities provided for the participants," said Charles Bell, Tennis World's president.

The national event will begin on Monday, March 31, on the ten courts of Tennis World, according to tennis professional, Steve Garman, who will also serve as tournament referee of the prestigious event.

Garman said that this fall's unusually cold weather has had a minimal effect on the courts and that all have been resurfaced in preparation of the rigorous week-long event.

He added that Betty Miller of Pass Christian would again serve as tournament chairman.

"We are anticipating that this year, as in past years, the nation's best senior women

players, and players from major foreign countries will vie for tournament honors once play gets under way," Garman concluded.

Bell added that many local businesses and individuals are expected to provide financial support for the tournament, which annually has attracted top-ranked players who will participate in the three singles' events.

The tournament is open to the public and once again, an excellent turnout is anticipated.

Germany's top 60s women's tennis player, Heidi Orth, is expected to defend her 2002 singles title again this year as are Marietta Boswell, Domasus, Md.; and Lucy Dettmer, Palo Alto, Calif., 70s and 80s last year's winners respectively.

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Sports briefs

Tigers bounce Warriors in district tennis action

The Bay High Tigers stopped the D'Iberville Warriors 4-1 Wednesday in high school tennis play.

In boys singles, Bay High's Jared Dunklin lost to Robert Miller 4-6, 1-6; Stephanie Reed won for the Tigers in girls singles 6-3, 7-6; in boys doubles, Chris Magee and Brandon Slade downed Andrew Nation and Liem Thai 6-0, 6-4; in girls doubles, Kelly Callahan and

Sarah Powell defeated Constance Nacot and Brittany Hammons 6-4, 6-3; and in mixed doubles, Marquez Singleton and Jacqueline Fouassan won 6-3, 6-0 over Jennifer Nelson and Marcus Singleton.

Bay High is 2-0 on the season and will host the Vancleave Bulldogs Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Pirates, Rocks lose in BB

BY JOSEPH W. GEX
STAFF WRITER

The Vancleave Bulldogs came into the area on Tuesday and Wednesday night and remained undefeated overall in high school baseball with a 12-7 win over the Pirates on Tuesday and a 6-0 shutout against SSC on Wednesday.

The Bulldogs rallied in the top of the 7th inning against Pass Christian for the 12-7 victory.

The Bulldogs blanked the Rock-a-chaws 6-0 on Wednesday, March 19. The Bulldogs threw Nathan Smith against SSC and he scattered three hits during the game.

Hancock wins in softball

The Hancock Hawks blanked Pearl River Central 4-0 Friday evening in high school softball action. Kate Sullivan was the winning pitcher with 6 strikeouts. She has not given up a run in regular innings all season.

Morgan Necaise connected at the plate for a double and single. Jessica Dubuisson had 3 singles and Courtney Vincent had 2

singles. Mikael Mays was credited with "an excellent defensive game at 3rd base contributing to the shut out."

Hancock is 5-3 for the season and will play its first division game Monday on the road at Oak Grove, and will host Hattiesburg in another division game on Tuesday.

OLA sinks Pass 6-0

Our Lady Academy defeated the Pass Christian Lady Pirates 6-0 Friday in high school softball. Rachel Cuevas was the winning pitcher for the Crescents and also connected for a double at the plate and scored a run. Jordan Fisher and Hannah Allen had key RBI hits. Julie Reboul scored twice while Erin Casey, Michelle Lady and Margaret Magers each scored once.

The team is 7-3 overall and 2-0 in division play.

OLA will host Sumrall Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

In the junior varsity contest, OLA won 11-4 over Pass Christian. Rebekah Kennedy was the winning pitcher and also scored a run. Maegan Besancon and Lakasia Duckworth each scored twice. Jamie Reisch, Adrienne Gannon, Lindsey Keel, Victoria Romano, Lacey Raymond and Kolbi Cameron each scored one run for the junior Crescents.

The team is 4-3 on the season and will host Sumrall Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

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Area track teams face each other

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The area track teams have hit the track circuit in running fashion in 2003. Bay High, Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian, and St. Stanislaus all participated in meets this past week on Wednesday, March 19 and Thursday, March 20.

SSC hosted the Catholic Schools Meet on Wednesday with St. John, Mercy Cross, OLA, and Resurrection competing. St. Stanislaus and OLA each swept their respective divisions in junior high and senior high competitions. The OLA junior high squad tallied 72 points to Resurrection's 16 and Mercy Cross' 10 points. The varsity girls totaled 51 points while Resurrection followed with 38, Mercy Cross 33, and St. John with 27 points.

On the boys side, SSC picked up 100 points in the junior high division followed by Mercy Cross with 3 points and St. John did not score. In varsity competition, SSC ran up 80 points followed by Mercy Cross with 31 points, St. John 48, and Resurrection 8 points.

In varsity girls action, OLA was led by just three first place winners in Annette Allard in the high jump, Erin Stechman in the shot put, and Ashton Johnson in the discus. Allard cleared 4'4" for the

title while Stechman heaved the shot 21' 5 3/4" for the win. Johnson threw the disc 78'1" in her event.

Several second place finishes marked the competition for OLA highlighted by Jennifer Asper's three runner-up finishes in the 800m, 1600m, and the 3200m runs.

On the varsity boys side, The Rocks claimed all three relays and several first place individual finishes. Fred Mallini had a personal best in the shotput with a put of 47'11" while Nick Weinmann threw the discus 134'3".

Kyle Lewis took the 1600m and 3200m races with times of 4:46 and 9:57. Allen Leone kept Lewis from completing the trifecta with a top finish in the 800m with a time of 2:04.

Sam Hudgens won the 300m intermediate hurdles in 44.09 and placed second in the 110m high hurdles. Beau Brodtmann won the 400m dash with a 55-second performance.

In junior high girls action, OLA won all three relay races. Olivia Hoff won the 800m run in 2:55, the 1600m run in 6:21 and the long jump with a leap of 13'6".

Other winners for OLA were Shelby Wild in the 400m, Sharon Leslie in the high jump and Jamie Reisch in the 100m low hurdles.

The Rocks junior high

relay teams placed first in all three races with Trevor Gex and Chris Tighe running on all three teams. Robert Jackson, Taylor Spinoza, Ryan Bretton, and Connor Smith were the other members of the relay teams.

Matt Church won both the shot put and the discus while Tighe added an individual title in the long jump. Donnie Renz claimed the pole vault and the 400m dash while Chaz Singleton won the 800m and 1600m races.

In the relays at Pass Christian on Thursday evening, Vancleave claimed the varsity titles while Hancock swept the junior high categories.

The varsity boys standings were Vancleave 146, Long Beach 89, Hancock 76, Bay High 54, and Pass Christian 29. In varsity girls action, Vancleave racked up 106 points to OLA 70, Long Beach 60, Hancock 30, Pass Christian 33, and Bay High 18.

The junior high boys were led by Hancock with 86 points, Vancleave 70, Pass Christian 48, Bay 21, and Long Beach 16. The junior high girls went Hancock 92, Vancleave 88, OLA 70, and Pass Christian 62.

In varsity boys action, Hancock was led by their three top finishing relay teams and Ervin Jackson's top finish in the 110m high hurdles.

Pass was led by Ledeal Johnson's top finish in the shot put and a pair of third place finishes in relays.

Bay was paced by Lavon Kaigler's first place finish in the 800m and second place in the 1600m run.

In high school girls action, Hancock was led by Erica Moran's top finish in the discus while OLA was paced by Annette Allard's win in the high jump. Jennifer Asper of OLA won the 3200m run and Crystal Skretching won the 200m for the Lady Tigers of Bay High.

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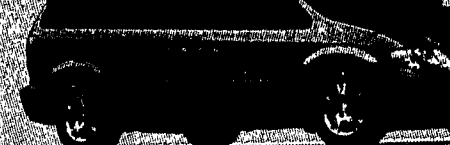


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McCormick -- U.N. weapons inspector

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assignment. Three other groups of inspectors were looking for chemical, biological, and multidisciplinary weapons, he said. He was one of only 16 Americans among the more than 100 inspectors.

McCormick landed the assignment as a result of an ad in an Air Force brochure requesting applications for inspectors. After talking to his wife of over 40 years, Sally, he decided to apply for the job.

"I supported the decision 100 percent," said Sally. "This was an important job and I felt like it was God's plan for Tom. That kept me from worrying about him while he was away. I knew God was with him and he would be safe."

Tom went to Washington for an interview and was hired. He was to be sent to Geneva, Switzerland and then on to Argentina for special training. He never made it to Argentina because he was deployed to Iraq sooner than expected to begin the work of disarming Saddam Hussein, and hopefully avoiding a war.

The two things that surprised him when he arrived, he said, were the images of Hussein that were literally everywhere and the politeness and kindness of the everyday people he encountered there.

"I didn't expect the average person to be so nice," said McCormick. "But they were, very polite and nice."

There was virtually no sign of the west or the English language, he said.

It was a precarious predicament for the average Iraqi citizen, said



Staff Sgt. Ralph Oliver and Staff Sgt. Bruce Cook, members of the 424th Air Base Squadron Civil Engineering Flight, set up concertina wire along the perimeter of Royal Air Force Fairford, United Kingdom, for increased force protection on March 17, 2003. RAF Fairford is currently home of the 457th Expeditionary Operations Group who have been positioned in the United Kingdom in support of the global war on terrorism and potential contingency operations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Stacia M. Willis) (Released)

McCormick, because they would have a bad deal no matter what the outcome of the inspections, whether continued life under Saddam or the prospect of war.

Under the terms of UN Resolution 1441, the Iraqis were not supposed to have weapons of mass destruction capable of traveling over 150 kilometers. Scud missiles, allegedly fired by the Iraqis during the first day of the war, are capable of traveling 300 kilometers, said McCormick.

"If they were used and I think they were," said McCormick. "It reinforces the fact that we should have been there to look."

McCormick said he could not understand Hussein's aversion to turning over weapons to inspectors. If he had turned over the

weapons the inspectors would have been out of the country, he said, and he would have had sovereignty over the whole country. With the no-fly zone, he only has sovereignty over about half of the country.

"The inspectors walked a tight rope," said McCormick. "With very little opportunity to communicate with locals except in the hotel or at work. We had to please the Iraqi government and at the same time do our jobs. We didn't want to get anyone (locals) in trouble by asking their views."

"But in general we were treated very properly by everyone," he said.

Movement was controlled by the UN itself, McCormick said. And the work day was long.

"A bus picked us up about



Aviation Ordnancemen assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron Twenty Five (VFA 25) prepare to hoist a Air Launched Guided Missile (AGM) 88 "HARM" a high speed anti radiation Missile onto a wing pylon of a F/A-18C Hornet on March 14, 2003. VFA-25 is embarked with Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN aboard USS Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln and Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN (CVW 14) are conducting combat operations in support of Operation Southern Watch. U.S. Navy photo by Photographer's Mate Third Class (AW/PJ) Phillip A. McDaniel (Released)

7:15 a.m. each morning and brought us back any where from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.," he said. "We were provided with food, but had to be very careful about what we ate. The food was very different and the spices strange."

Sanitation was lacking for the most part in the city, he said, and a garbage dump might be found in a field beside a very nice house. Houses were made from brick, stucco, or marble. The city had an ancient feel and one of constant contradiction, both with great beauty and the signs of extreme poverty.

The streets were filled with people doing everything from cooking to business, he said, but very few women could be seen on the streets. Professional women wore European dress, mostly near Universities, and others dressed in long black robes with head scarves. Some had open faces and others only allowed their eyes to be visible, he said. On a city bus the women

occupied the rear seats, with the men in the front and the same with private vehicles.

The three women inspectors dressed very conservatively while there.

You might see a Mercedes or a Porsche followed by a mule cart, he said.

Customs too were very different. "You never show anyone the sole of your shoe, when crossing your legs or such," he said. "It is considered to be a great insult."

The height of McCormick's free time, of which there was very little, was a visit to the Biblical City of Babylon about 100 kilometers south of Baghdad, said McCormick. The inspectors were not encouraged to enter the Mosques.

"I'm very glad to be home, but I would go again," said McCormick. "It was an honor to serve my country and an opportunity to meet and work with many talented and educated people."

Murphee -- in Iraq

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punish the bad guys so it wouldn't happen again. I tell them that Daddy's helping the world and making it a better place. He's making it safe to live in."

Although Beatty and Holland know about the war, Melissa and Thomas agreed not to let them watch the news coverage.

"We just told them that Dad would be gone for a while to help rid the world

of bad guys," Murphee said. "They don't think of him getting hurt or dying. They know he will come home."

In fact, every time Holland speaks to her father, she asks him how many days until he comes home. She even counts down the days. When he does return home, Melissa said she and her children will travel with Thomas around the world.

For now, they just count down the days until they see Thomas again. Holland said she was sad because he was away but that she was very proud of her daddy.

How kids, adults can cope with war

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The American Psychological Association (APA) is offering materials free to the public that can help people build resilience in a time of war.

"We're already getting a demand for these materials created by the anxiety people are feeling about what's happening in the world right now," said Russ Newman, Ph.D., J.D., executive director for professional practice at the APA. "Based on the reaction to the original resilience materials we produced, we think these war-themed materials will do a lot of good."

"Unlike one-time traumas, war requires its own kind of resilience, because we don't know when a war will end, and - especially in this war - terrorism has brought war closer to home than ever before," said Patricia Alexander, Ph.D., director of the Psychology Department at Mississippi State Hospital (MSH) in Whitfield.

The materials include brochures aimed at consumers, parents and teachers of very young children, parents and teachers of elementary school children, parents and teachers of middle school children, parents and teachers of high schoolers, and teens.

According to Alexander, some of the tips include:

MAINTAIN A DAILY

ROUTINE

Keeping up your daily routine of work, errands, household chores and hobbies provides you with a feeling of stability when the world around you seems chaotic.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

Make time to eat properly, exercise, and rest. Schedule time to do things you enjoy such as hobbies and social activities. Caring for yourself and even having fun will help you stay balanced and enable you to better deal with stressful times.

MAKE CONNECTIONS Keep in touch with family, friends and others. Connecting with people provides social support and strengthens resilience.

GIVE YOURSELF A "NEWS BREAK"

Be sure to control the amount of time you and your family spend watching and reading war-related news coverage. Perhaps limit your news intake to no more than one hour a day. It's okay to turn off the TV or radio and allow yourself to focus on non-war-related things.

The materials will soon be available in print by calling toll-free 800-964-2000 and are available now for free download at www.helping.apa.org.

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Formosan termites spread in crossties

THE PACE FILES

BY STAN PACE
Extension Agent

Very soon it will be that magical time of year (spring) when we begin to see all types of things taking flight across Hancock County.

Many of these winged insects will be termites. Some will be our native termites and some will be the more infamous Formosan termite. No need to fear, just have a plan to take care of these hungry wood workers.

Often Hancock County residents use old railroad crossties in their landscapes, but in some cases these wooden borders could be spreading Formosan termites. Formosan termites are a subterranean species that require moist environments to live. They are a tropical species from the Far East which tunnel from location to location to prevent them from drying out when exposed to above-ground conditions.

Formosan termites have caused tremendous problems in New Orleans, infestations can be found in the Coast counties of Jackson, Harrison and Hancock, as well as further north in Lamar, Forrest, Jones, Rankin, Madison and Lauderdale counties. Some evidence suggests areas in Mississippi south of a line from West Point to Cleveland can support Formosan termites.

The southern third of the state remains the primary area of concern. Crossties have been found to be responsible for several of the Formosan termite infestations found away from the Coast. Evidence indicates Formosan termites are being moved fairly long distances in crossties. About 10 or 15 years ago, several small railroad lines in the southern United States were abandoned.

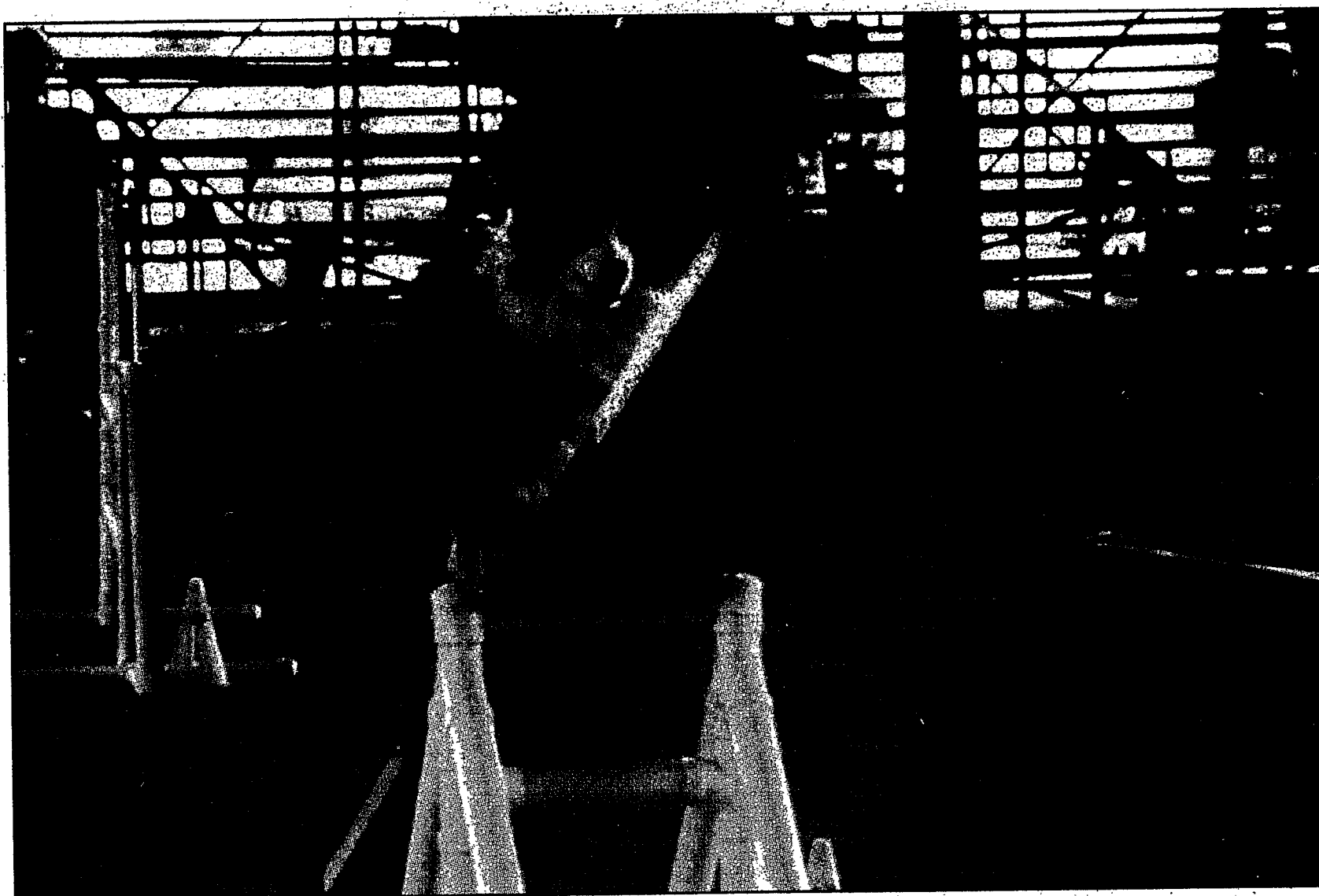
Some of the crossties on these railroads in south Mississippi and Louisiana were infested with Formosan termites. People salvaged the rails and the crossties, and the Formosans began to spread as the crossties were sold.

Crossties are a popular landscape feature used to edge gardens, make raised beds and more. Crossties are treated with creosote to give them a long life, but in time, it becomes less concentrated and termites can enter the wood as it cracks.

Gardeners like the weathered look of old crossties and the fact that the creosote is no longer toxic to plants. Don't buy the crossties if you see termites.

If the crosstie contains worker, soldier, and reproductive termites, the group can establish a colony wherever the crosstie ends up. Be careful when you buy crossties. Inspect them to see if they are infested with termites and find out where

It's A Dog's Life!



More than 100 dogs from all over the country compete in the USDAA Dog Fun Show and Agility Trials at the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Arena. The trials continue today from 8:30 a.m. until around 2 p.m.

Echo staff photos by Bennie Shalbetter

Bite into some fun at the Hancock County Arena

BY BENNIE SHALBETTER

Staff Writer
It's a dog's world at the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Arena. The USDAA Dog Fun Show and

Agility Trials are still going on today from 8:30 till about 2 p.m., with registration at 8 a.m. Trials were also held on Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. About one hundred dogs of all breeds, from across several states are competing in the event.

For event coordinator Monica Wilson from Woolmarket the competitions are a way of life. She also holds classes for dogs and their owners who would like to get into the sport.

Dogs run an obstacle

course that includes such activities as jumping over hurdles and through hoops, going through tunnels and climbing. Dogs have to complete a set number of activities and owners can tailor those activities to suit the dogs personality and likes. The sport is fast paced and fun for both owner and dog, though it did appear on Friday that the dogs got the best end of the deal.

Wilson said that no obedience training is required for her courses, though it is better for the dog to be trained to come when it is called. Wilson said she can give owners a series of home exercises to practice with the dog to improve obedience. About the only steadfast rule is no very aggressive dogs, when it comes to training, she said.



"If the dog is friendly we can work with it," she said.

A hotel in Diamondhead agreed to house many of the competitors and their owners said facility direc-

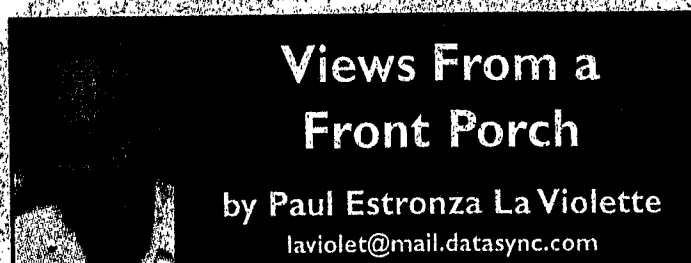
tor, Wade Ladner. For information on the activities call the facility at 255-0807 or 216-4644. For information on classes call event coordinator, Monica

Wilson at 228-392-4353 or 669-7041. The next dog related event at the Arena will be an AKC show on April 11-13. Call the arena for show times.

Oh, yeah! Well, we cut a building in two

Looking back over the title, I should say more than in two, more like in quarters. But

I'm getting a little ahead of myself. I was talking to a pleasant Bay St. Louis lady at the Hancock County Historical Society the other day and remarked that despite people in the Bay claiming of their town having a plethora of historical buildings, Waveland has its own share of old buildings and historical sites. (I love that word plethora, try saying it



Views From a Front Porch

by Paul Estronza La Violette
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aloud a couple of times. It has a lovely grandiose sound, almost plummy. I have a talking dictionary on my computer and I love highlighting it and have the lady hidden in the dictionary seductively whisper back, "plethora plethora." Sometimes I do this a bit too much and

Stella comes running and yells for me to stop. But to get back to the dismemberment of an old building in Waveland)

"Oh, really? Where are these old buildings?" my lady friend asked. I realized she was just trying to get my dander up, but I plunged ahead

and said the first thing that came to my mind, "Well, we had the old Pirate House built in 1803."

"Gone. Camille ate it years ago," she said with a satisfied smile. "What have that's of interest now?"

I was for a second confused, words involving Jackson's nephew old home and the Clermont Harbor Hotel came to mind, but these were also long gone, each burnt to a toasty crisp and besides these had really been in the county. Then I remembered the old Ulman Mill

and Billy Goat Lane and all the wonderful stories about Ulmanville.

I looked her dead in the eye and said, "Well there was a time when we had a building that was so old, we cut it in two and made two old buildings!" She started laughing. "That's right you did," she said marking my coup with a checkmark in the air and that ended that part of our conversation.

Actually we did cut a building in two, it really happened. It was awhile back, around 1880, but the

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All menus subject to change.

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Hancock Deca takes top honors at state conference



The Hancock Vo-Technical Center's Lodging and Hospitality Distributive Education Club of America (DECA) had an impressive showing at the Mississippi DECA Career Development Conference held February 19-22 in Jackson. With over 700 students from across Mississippi competing in various events, Hancock's DECA had four state finalists. Taking top honors were (pictured L to R) Brandon Sons - 6th Place in Vehicles and Petroleum Marketing; Stephanie Gibson - 2nd Place in Fashion Merchandising Promotion; and Tammy Ramsey & Lindsey Wheeler - 4th Place in Travel and Tourism Marketing Management Team Decision Making Event.

Other Hancock DECA competitions included Kayla Summers and Ashley Dickinson in Hospitality Services Decision Making Team; Jessica Fricke in Apparel and Accessories Management Level; Joseph Everett in Marketing Management Services; and Jessie Sherry in Full Service Restaurant Management. Robin Fletcher and Miranda Rutherford attended as voting delegates while Sadie Thurman and Melissa Smith served as co-chairpersons for the decorating committee.

During the two days of competition, students in competency and team events completed a 100-question test that evaluated the student's general knowledge in human relations, marketing, management, entrepreneurship, and industry specific skills. These students also participated in a role-play that involved not only problem solving and decision-making but also presentation of those ideas to a judge. Prior to the actual conference, students competing in a written event researched and wrote a business promotional plan. This plan was then presented to a judge at the conference who evaluated the written manual and the student's explanation of the planned promotion. The sponsor of the Hancock DECA organization is Hancock Vo-Tech Lodging and Hospitality instructor Lady Bruce.

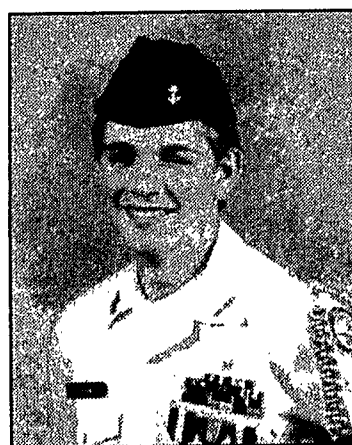
Student attends National Youth Leadership Conference

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Taylor Odom of Jackson, grandson of Akbar and Juanita Brinsmade of Diamondhead recently attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy (NYLF/DID) from February 25 to March 2, 2003 in Washington, D.C. Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career related to national security, Odom will join approximately 400 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America at the Forum.

"By participating in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy, students like Taylor Odom will develop a keenly educated perspective on the United States' role in global conflict resolution," said Donna Snyder, executive director of NYLF. "We introduce these young leaders to the masterminds behind our country's international relations communities. Students also take part in a series of simulations. The combination of interacting with professionals and other students, in addition to our superior curriculum is equipping our country with a very bright future."

The NYLF/DID curriculum is based on actual world events, which allows its participants to learn from the examples set by previous generations of leaders, while encouraging them to develop a perspective



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Heather Dedeaux earns National School Counselor Endorsement

East Hancock Elementary Counselor Heather Dedeaux recently acquired a National Certified School Counselor endorsement from the National Board of Certified Counselors. For more information about this story or the Hancock County School District, please contact Tammy Stafford, PR Coordinator at 255-0976.



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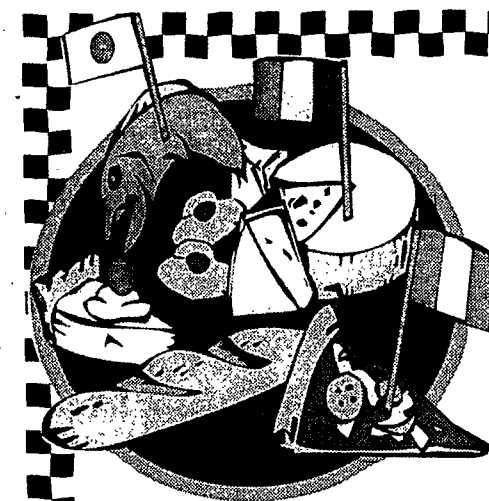
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Weddings and Engagements



Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Peterman

Peterman-Scheyd

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Peterman would like to announce the marriage of their son, Stephen F. Peterman of Waveland to Colleen Ann Scheyd of Metairie, La.

Colleen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen J. Scheyd of Metairie, La. Colleen is currently a graduate student at the LSU Health Sciences Center of New Orleans and will earn her master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology in May. Colleen attended Dominica High and graduated from John Carroll Catholic of Birmingham, Al.

Stephen is a graduate of Saint Stanislaus High School and is a student at

Louisiana State University of Baton Rouge. He is a member of L.S.U. football team and is working toward a degree in General Studies.

The couple will reside in Baton Rouge, La.

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Rev. Robert Nowlin officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Howard and Betty Dempsey of Bay St. Louis.

The grooms parents are Art Rieben and Carol Milton of Bay St. Louis, Ms.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matron of honor was Sheila Dempsey Whitfield, sister of the bride.

Ring Bearers were Hunter Zeb Felder and Hunter Austin DeCamp, sons of Bride and Groom.

Best Man was Billy Whitfield.

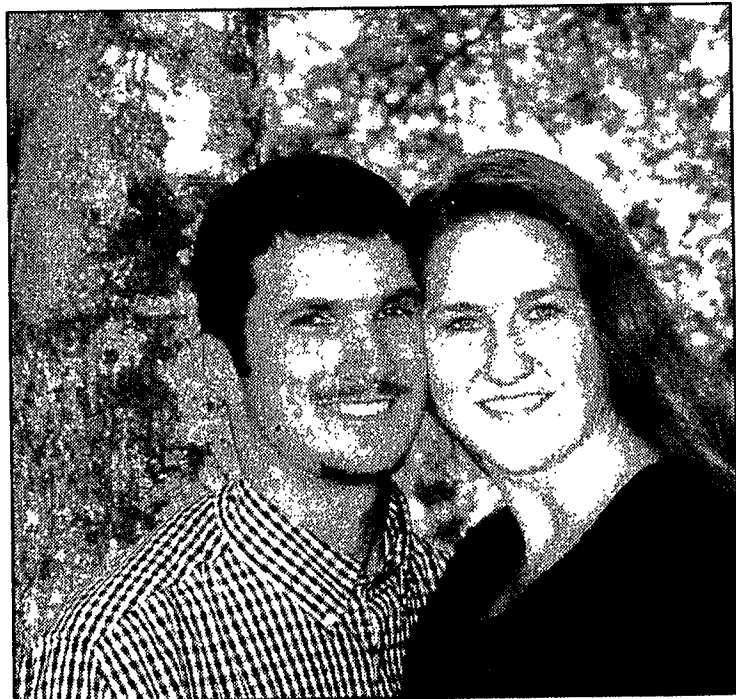
A rehearsal dinner was given by the Bride's parents and held in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Bridal Showers prior to the wedding included one hosted by Gwyn Ray,



Mr. and Mrs. Dale C. DeCamp Jr.

Tammy McIver, and Joy Moran, second hosted by Stennis Lockheed Office, third hosted by NASA Acquisition Management Office. After a Honeymoon in Hot Springs, Arkansas the couple will reside in Bay St. Louis, MS.



Clayton Troy Ladner and Jill Laneá Ladner

Ladner-Ladner

Herman Jr. and Debra Ladner of Pass Christian announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Laneá Ladner to Clayton Troy Ladner.

He is the son of Rhonda Ladner of Lakeshore and Mike Fayard of Waveland.

The bride-elect is employed as a deputy tax assessor at the Gulfport Courthouse.

Her grandparents are John I. and Helen Ncaise of Kiln and Herman Sr. and

June Ladner of Pass Christian.

The future groom is employed at Gulf Coast Maintenance at Port Bienville in Pearlinton.

His grandparents are Sam Ladner of Lakeshore and Millie Gordy of Orange, Texas, Asa Fayard of Waveland and the late Leona Fayard.

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Famed Parisian violinist to give recital at USMGC

THE SEA COAST ECHO

World-renowned Parisian violinist Alexandre Brussilovsky will present a recital April 1 at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast.

"Salut d'Amour" celebrates international musical romance with a wide selection of pieces.

The recital will start at 7 p.m. in the Advanced Education Center Auditorium at the Gulf Park campus in Long Beach.

Free and open to the public, the recital will feature violinist Daniel Tringov and pianist Dancho Yordanov from Sofia, Bulgaria.

After opening with Igor Stravinsky's "Suite Italienne," the first half of the program will continue with the sentimental Mexican serenade "Estrellita" by Manuel Ponce, "Romance" by Sergei Rachmaninoff, "As a Melody" by Johannes Brahms and will end with Brahms, "Scherzo."

After intermission, the program's title piece by Edward Elgar will highlight the recital, followed by Claude Debussy's "En bateau." The recital closes with a highly virtuosic "Fantasy on Gershwin's Porgy and Bess" by Igor Frolov. Popular melodies include "Summertime," "My Man, My Gone Now," "I Got Plenty of Nuffin," "Bess, You Is My Woman Now," and "It Ain't Necessarily So."

Brussilovsky was born in the

Ukraine in 1953. After winning grand prizes in numerous international violin competitions, including the Grand Prix and Albert Roussel Prize at the Jacques Thibaud Competition in 1975, he spent the next decade performing outside Russia. He left in 1985 and moved to France. There he built his career, dividing his time between concert halls and teaching.

An international soloist, Brussilovsky has been invited to give concert performances, solo recitals and master classes all over the world.

Theresa Sanchez, a Mississippi pianist who makes several appearances each year both as a soloist and collaborative pianist, will accompany him. She recently premiered Cary Smith's "Piano Concerto" with the Meridian Symphony and can be heard on a newly released compact disc, "Southern Nights," as soloist with the USM Symphony Orchestra. In July 2003 she will perform and teach at the International Music Academy at Pontlevoy, France.

This event is presented as part of the Southern Miss Gulf Coast Ambassador Series, which began last October with three musical events and features six more this spring.

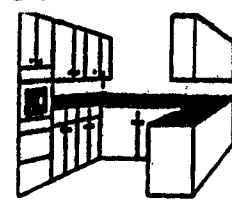
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Fulbright scholar offers composer workshop for teens and young adults

Nationally known composer, Fulbright Scholar and professional trumpet player Evan Solot will conduct a young composer workshop on Saturday, March 29, 9:30-11:30 at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Jefferson Davis Campus, room D116. This program is in partnership with WINGS Performing Arts Program at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center and Continental Harmony of the American Composers Forum. Solot is the Chair of the Composition Department at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, PA. He has performed with Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Woody Herman bands and has toured with singers Bette Midler, Frank Sinatra and Lou Rawls. In conjunction with the Continental Harmony project, Solot is conducting this workshop for junior high, high school and college students. Participants will learn various techniques used by composers from Bach to current pop styles. Then, using their own instruments, they will experiment with creating music in groups and performing for each other.

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pieces that are the results of that sawing are still around and in their own right are as pleasant to look at today as any of the old buildings in far off Bay St. Louis.

The original of the buildings had been a large, rather busy woolen mill on Jeff Davis Avenue (nee Billy Goat Lane) near Nicholson Avenue. It was built in the 1870's by A. A. Ulman and its main product was black and white checkerboard blankets and scarves.

These were a popular item at the time. They were made from the highest quality of wool and were extremely durable. The wool was obtained from sheep herds that were raised in the coastal counties backcountry, upland from the waters of the Sound. Shepherders came to the coast once a year to sell their products at Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian and Woolmarket.

The call for the mills goods was high and the immediate area around Nicholson Avenue and the railroad tracks was a bustling place called Ulmanville after its founder (Waveland wasn't so named till 1888) and the commerce associated with the work filled the out-houses of the mill as well as nearby homes for the workers employed by the mill.

As times changed, the herds of sheep gradually disappeared and the mill went out of service. Once the machinery was removed, the main building was found to be in good shape. It was decided that it could be salvaged. With that the structure was cut in two and since these two parts were rather large, each was cut in half once again. These made four handsome looking buildings that were moved to different places in the immediate area and fashioned into rather commodi-

ous residences.

The four buildings lasted quite awhile. One was taken away by the same vicious hobgoblin as the Pirate House, Camille. One burnt down under strange circumstances in the '90s. That was a shame.

The building had been made into a sort of Bed and Breakfast and stood facing Nicholson Avenue. I was passing by when it caught fire and stood with the crowd listening to the lament of the gathered old timers as we all watched it become charred remnants and ashes.

But fortunately, the other two parts of the old Ulman mill are still standing. These two sit rather quietly on Nicholson Avenue, looking out at the passing of cars instead of horses. Both, I am glad to say are very handsome houses, in fine shape, despite the trauma of having been split in quarters like an outlandish version of Solomon's judgment.



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the crossties came from. To inspect crossties for termites, separate the bundles and look for evidence of termites between the crossties.

Check for live termites, tunnels, and soil that has been carried into the wood. Drop one end of the crosstie and examine what falls out. Examine crossties already in yards and look for evidence of termites. Have a professional identify any termites found.

A termite's species cannot be determined from the workers, so look for the winged form or a soldier with its enlarged head and noticeable mandibles.

Nine times out of 10, if there are termites in the crossties, I wouldn't do anything about them unless the crossties actually touch the foundation of the house. Where they touch the foundation, I would at least move them back. If the termites are Formosans and the house is under a treatment contract, then continue with whatever service you're using.

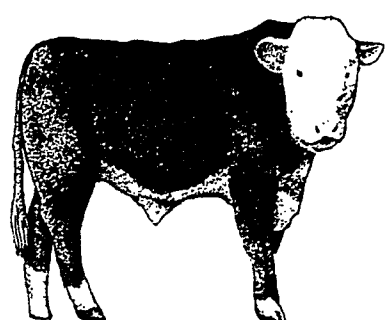
Formosans are different from Mississippi's native subterranean termites, the eastern termite; in that they form much larger colonies and they build what is known as a carton when they get in buildings.

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You must be living in your home on or before January 1, 2003 to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

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- C) Down payment amount
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75 Years Young? Camp Stanislaus still going strong

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
Camp Instructor & SSC
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It is hard to believe that Camp Stanislaus is turning 75 years old this summer. The six-week summer camp for boys sponsored by the Brothers of the Sacred Heart at their Bay St. Louis school has withstood the test of time and elements since its inception in 1928; however, the truest testament of its character and longevity has been one underlying principal, summer fun.

Camp Stanislaus was primarily started 75 years ago to provide a home to young boys for the summer and give the Brothers of the Sacred Heart something to do while school was not in session. It was a premise

that went hand-in-hand with the mission of the brothers at St. Stanislaus. And, the philosophy of camp has not changed in three-quarters of a century.

In the 1940's, Camp Stanislaus usually had about 200 campers in their summer program. That number has remained constant through present time. When camp first started, it was only a two-week session. Then, it grew to three weeks, five weeks, and six weeks. Presently, there are two sessions that young boys can participate in during the summer, a 3-week session or the full 6-week session.

A new addition to the camp in 2002 was a day camp program. Previously in the illustrious history of

Camp Stanislaus, there was a day camp sponsored at the end of the resident camp session. However, for some unknown reason it was discontinued. Now, it is back in full swing with only a limited number of slots for day campers each session.

The day camp provides the same exciting outdoor activities to the area boys as it does for the resident campers. They are grouped with the resident campers with the same regards to age. The day camp slots are limited so that the number of children participating in an activity is relatively small. This enables the instructor to give individual instruction to each camper while still maintaining the fun and enjoyment of each activity. Matthew Corr, son of Kerry and Amy Corr of Bay St.

Louis, talked about the day camp, "My experiences at camp were fun! I met a lot of people and learned a lot of good things, such as how to water-ski. It made me really look forward to becoming a student at St. Stanislaus." Corr is a 12-year old student at Bay Catholic Elementary and his father is a graduate of SSC.

Prior to the 1960s, camp participants were divided into five separate groups according to age. While age is still taken into consideration, there are only four groups now. Brother Noel

Lemmon, S.C., a veteran camp director of more than 30 years gave the names of the new groups back in the early 1960s. The groups are called the Shrimps, Stingrays, Dolphins, and Sharks.

The different groups participate in the many activities of camp together. Activities at Camp Stanislaus range from indoor to outside, from the wooded forests in Mississippi to the sunny beaches of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. There is water skiing, swimming, canoeing, and off-shore fishing along the waters of Bay St. Louis. On land, the campers enjoy horseback riding, archery, riflery, arts & crafts, and expert instruction in various sports like basketball, soccer, weight-lifting, and baseball. In 2003, the campers will have the benefit of a new multi-million dollar recreation facility recently completed on campus. It houses a state-of-the-art weight room and basketball gymnasium.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Sampagnaro of Monroe, LA, have sent their two sons to camp the past two summers. John Charles has experienced Camp Stanislaus while his younger brother, Gabriel, is a rookie camper. John Charles stated, "I believe Camp Stanislaus is the best camp because you meet new friends that you can keep up

with during the next year. Or, maybe some will be friends for life. Camp Stanislaus has made me a better person and helped me learn lots of new things."

Some of the most important lessons at camp are not learned on the water, in the woods, or on the court, but rather through camaraderie and structure. While Camp Stanislaus is run completely by young men at the group level, the camp employs a large adult staff to assist with the everyday operations. Brother Paul Mulligan, S.C., a veteran of Camp Stanislaus for 30 years and former principal of St. Stanislaus, stated,

"I am amazed at the maturity of our counselors in dealing with whatever conflicts that may arise with our campers. Offensive behavior is corrected immediately and the observation of safety in all activities has been remarkable during my time associated with camp. The campers learn very quickly that the counselors and staff are the ones in charge. Mean or discourteous behavior will not be tolerated and discipline is fair and patient, but firm. I cannot begin to describe how many parents have approached me after camp is concluded to tell me that their son has come home with a greater appreciation for what sacrifices they take on for their children or just a greater

appreciation for courtesy.

Camp Stanislaus is a place full of fun; however, it is also a time for growth and learning. Even after 75 years of swimming out front in the Gulf, riding horseback through the forest, skiing the Jordan River or learning how to make that jump shot, Camp Stanislaus maintains the principles that it was founded on so many years ago. Every camper that enters the program explores new activities, makes new friends, renews old acquaintances, or learns a new way of doing life's little things. No matter what is learned during their stay, a formation of character in the principles of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart is achieved. Here's to another 75 years of fun for Camp Stanislaus!



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Art Smarts, a series of lectures about art history and appreciation, will begin Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p.m. in the Seal Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library as part of the Hancock County Library System's 2003 National Library Week events. The Arts Smarts series is cosponsored by the library system and the Hancock County Arts Council.

Arlene Smith, who holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Printmaking from William Carey College on the Coast and a Masters Degree in Art History from LSU Baton Rouge, will be the instructor for the course. She taught for seven years as an adjunct professor at the Gulf Coast Community College.

The first lecture in the series will discuss art from the Paleolithic and Neolithic periods, art from Mesopotamia, the Aegean and Egypt. Topics of future lectures will include Greek and Roman art, the early Christians and Byzantium, the Middle Ages in Europe, Romanesque and Gothic art, Renaissance art, Baroque, Rococo and Neoclassical art, Neoclassical through Post-Impressionistic art, and modern art.

The library will provide a reading list of library materials relating to each lecture.

Space for each class is limited to 50 participants, and advance registration for each class is required. Persons interested in attending the first class should contact Adrienne Bradley or Sheila Cork at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library at 467-5282.

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Reflections on life on building attitudes

A small boy bounced into a corner diner, fingering a pile of coins and counting them carefully.

"What can I do for you?" the waitress barked rather impatiently.

"Wait just a minute," the child answered. "I'm getting it together." He continued to finger and count his precious stock of coins.

Hands on her hips, the waitress continued to show her pique as the little boy counted and recounted.

"How much is one scoop of ice cream?" he asked.

"Thirty-five cents," came the dry reply.

"How much are two scoops?"

"Fifty cents," came an even drier reply.

Once more, the child counted his stash coin by coin. "And how much are three scoops?" came the crowning question.

By this time, the waitress had turned up her nose, pinned her ears back and deliberately contorted her face. "Seventy-five cents!" she blurted out, moving about in annoyed fashion.

His face lighting up in triumph, the plucky tyke engineered the final count of his coins.

"I'll have two scoops!" he directed, a big smile animating his expectant face. Very grudgingly, the waitress approached the ice cream machine, tossing dishes disgustedly in every direction. At length, the great moment arrived when she served the boy his two scoops on a small plate.

No one ever ate anything with greater relish than our little hero who attacked the dairy delicacy with the heart and appetite of a lion. All of that enjoyment and ecstasy served only to deepen the annoyance of the waitress who must have wondered why any little wump so annoying and so trying of one's patience should be graced with so much obvious relish and enjoyment.

With a deep sigh of satisfaction and emotional transport, the little boy carefully pushed his plate forward a tad, wiped his mouth with a paper napkin and stood up content with himself and the world. His "Thank you ma'am" good-bye was greeted with an undisguised chill of good riddance.

Refusing to look toward the lad as he turned to leave, the disgruntled waitress grumpily snatched the soiled paper napkin, then picked up the small ice cream plate. Her eyes bulged, her face flushed and her breath stopped momentarily when she saw what was under the plate.

No, it couldn't be. But indeed it was. In small coins there lay a 25-cent tip!

Building an attitude for whatever reason is one of the very worst things we do with alarming frequency. All the more, if we know little or nothing about the person with whom we are communicating, it is the height of folly to work

ourselves into a lather over an unknown person and unknown factors.

This very morning I was vesting to celebrate 7:30 Mass, when someone entered the church and spoke to a parishioner. I could overhear the exchange as he begged for help and she told him he would have to wait until after Mass to be served. So she vigorously invited him to attend the Mass.

Standing with my back to the people as I vested, I caught the odor of his presence the moment he walked into the sacristy where we do weekday Mass.

That mildly ripe odor began to build an attitude which was not in his favor, to say the least. Many stories of Jesus cross one's mind at such moments, as well as stories of Jesus' disciples such as Mother Theresa.

The sum total of all those fascinating stories is always the same, as Jesus himself summarizes every interaction which we have with each individual of all peoples wherever we meet them: "Whatever you did for one of these least of my sisters/brothers, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

Jesus, of course, was roundly criticized by the Pharisees, the Scribes, the elders of the people and by many of the people at large for cavorting with public sinners, beggars, the seriously diseased and the so-called riffraff of the nation and even foreigners. Jesus does not advise us to do as he did. He simply commands us to imitate him without conditions or hesitation.

Even though it is somewhat understandable that we tend to develop ugly, negative attitudes toward people who are smelly, unkempt, sloppy and otherwise socially offensive the challenge of Jesus and Mother Theresa of Calcutta is that this is never acceptable but rather always objectionable.

All the more, when we develop a seriously flawed attitude as the diner waitress did toward the little boy just because he was fidgeting as little boys do, we are heading for terminal problems in our human relations. It is a lethal toxin which poisons and eventually kills every relationship in its path, beginning with the most intimate between spouses and family members.

"Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be clung to. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave obedient to death (Philippians 2:5-7)

Whenever we copy an attitude, we are rejecting the only functional attitude of service which Jesus alone bequeathed to us. Just as the waitress forgot she was a servant, so do we anytime we get edgy, huffy and full of ourselves.

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2:17). And the Bible goes on to say, "Through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men" (Romans 5:12). You see, death came into our world because of sin! And the various forms of disease we experience are simply forerunners of death. So when God does heal someone from a particular illness, He is telling us that He is the only cure for sin. Not only so. He is giving us a taste of heaven, where "there shall no longer be any death; there shall no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain" (Revelation 21:4). Yes, God is concerned about these physical bodies of ours. And those who trust in Christ for salvation from sin will one day be totally healed of every physical problem. That's what heaven will be like!

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Scripture Says . . .

By Ed Young

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures: He leads me beside the still waters: He restores my soul. (Psalms 23:1-3) What a wonderful Heavenly Father!

I sought the Lord, and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears. (Psalms 34: 4) What a wonderful Heavenly Father!

Have mercy upon me, O God, according unto thy loving kindness according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies. blot out my sins (Psalms 51:1) What a wonderful Heavenly Father!

I will say of the Lord He is my refuge and my fortress. My God, in Him I will trust (Psalms 91: 2) What a wonderful Heavenly Father!

Bless the Lord, O my soul and

all that is within me. Bless His, Holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all His benefits. Who forgives all my sins: Who heals all my diseases; Who redeems my life, from destruction: Who crowns me with loving kindness and tender mercies. (Psalms 103:1-4) What a wonderful Heavenly Father!

Here is what God thinks of His children that love Him: "Because he has set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he has known my name He shall call upon me and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him and honor him: With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation." (Psalms 91:14-16)

Is He not a wonderful Heavenly Father?!

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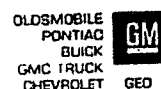
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Birth announcements

FAITH JANAE ANDERSON

Mr. and Mrs. J. Scott and Jane W. Anderson of Waveland announce the birth of their third child, Faith Janae, February 23, 2003 at 9:08 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces.

Mrs. Anderson is the former Jane E. Watts.

Maternal grandparents are James Nollie Watts and the late Lainys Dawson Watts of Gulfport and Grand Junction, Colo., respectively.

Paternal grandparents are James E. Anderson and Brenda W. Anderson of Waveland.

Great-grandparents are Marvin and Juanita Wadsworth Talley of Laurel, Miss., and Jim and Eloyce Winstead of Pucket, Miss.

Faith is welcomed home by sister Brittney and brother J. Eric, formerly of Austin, Texas.

BRENDAN XAVIER HODA

Mr. Brandon Hoda and Ms. Miranda Orr of Kiln, Ms. announces the birth of their first child, Brendan Xavier, January 28, 2003 at 11:34 a.m. at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport.

He weighed 5 pounds, 14.5 ounces.

Maternal Grandparents are Myra Necaise and Daron Ladner, both of Kiln,

Dean Cuevas of Pass Christian, and Neil Orr and Sandra Merrit of Gulfport.

Maternal Great-Grandparents are Darnell and Jearlene Cuevas of Pass Christian, the late Earl "Butterball" Cuevas and the late Alverta Cuevas of Kiln, and Kenneth and Jonnie Orr of Gulfport.

Paternal Grandparents are Byron "Buddy" Hoda and Ronald and Pamela Eller, all of Kiln.

Paternal Great-Grandparents are Huey "Pee Wee" and Catherine Moran of Pass Christian and Charles and Ruth Hoda of Kiln.

JAMES ANTHONY HOLKE

Sandy Simmons Holke and Justin Thomas Holke of Kiln, Ms. announce the birth of a son, James Anthony, January 28, 2003 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center.

Maternal grandparents are James Donald and Lillie Mae Simmons of Kiln, Ms.

Paternal grandparents are Joseph Anthony and Hedy Olga Jorgensen of Briceville, N.Y.

JEFFERY GILLIS KNOTTS II

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Gillis Knotts of Troy, AL announces the birth of a son, Jeffery Gillis February 24, 2003 at 9:47 a.m. at Jackson Hospital, Montgomery, AL.

He weighed 6 pounds, 5 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Jeffery Knotts is the former Karen Arnold.

Maternal grandparents are Jack W. Arnold and the late Betty Arnold of Waveland, MS.

Paternal Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Gillis Knotts of Troy, AL.

Jeffery II is welcomed by sisters Katie and Brooke.

DeANN RACHELLE LADNER

Melissa Ladner and John "Harry" Ladner, Jr. of Picayune, Ms. announce the birth of a daughter, DeAnn Rachele February 23, 2003 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center.

Melissa Ladner is the former Melissa Necaise.

Maternal Grandparents are Bernice and Dora Necaise of Picayune, Ms.

Paternal Grandparents are Harry and Doris Ladner of Pass Christian, Ms.

DeAnn is welcomed home by her brothers Cade, Kyle and Ethan.

HUGH DENNIS MURRAY III

Leanna Elizabeth Murray and Hugh Dennis Murray II of Bay St. Louis, Ms. announce the birth of a son, Hugh Dennis, December 27, 2002 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center.

Maternal grandparent is Wanda L. Thibodaux of

McNeil, Ms. Paternal grandparents are Diann and J.J. Horne of Kenner, La.

GABRIEL LEONCE SANDOZ

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney L. Sandoz, III of Long Beach, Ms. announce the birth of their fourth child, Gabriel Leonce, February 3, 2003 at 2:02a.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

He weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces.

Mrs. Mena Sandoz is the former Mena M. Ford.

Maternal grandparents are Mike and Dorothy Ford of Fairhope, AL.

Paternal grandparents are Rodney and Josie Sandoz of Long Beach, Ms.

Great-grandparent is Katie Compretta of Bay St. Louis, Ms.

Gabriel is welcomed by

brother Michael and sisters Leah and Sarah.

JOHNATHAN KADE SEGREST

Laura Groves and John E. Segrest, Jr. of Pearlinton, Ms. announce the birth of their son Johnathan Kade, February 13, 2003 at NorthShore Regional.

Maternal Granparents are Steven and Cassandra Groves of Pearlinton, Ms.

Maternal Great-Grandparents are Mary Ruth Daugherty of Kingsland, Tx., Norman Lewis of Lubbock, Tx. and Shirley Ruth Groves of Picayune, Ms.

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Great-Great Grandmother is Mable Cupit of Liberty, Ms.

BYAN JACOB WEIR

Elizabeth Etheridge Weir and Ryan Joseph Weir of McNeill, Ms. announce the birth of a son, Byan Jacob, December 29, 2002 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center.

Maternal grandparents are Jeffery and Kim Etheridge of Bay St. Louis, Ms.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Linda Weir of McNeill, Ms.

Cadet achieves academic excellence



Cadet Harshbarger

Cadet Kenneth Allen Harshbarger of Long Beach, MS, achieved Dean's List status at The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, for the fall semester of the 2002-2003 academic year.

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CAUSE NO. 2003-100
IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
TIMOTHY D. MURPHY
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: The unknown or known heirs at law, and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest as heirs of the Estate of Timothy D. Murphy. You are hereby summoned to appear to show cause why Madison Margaret Murphy and Maltory Elizabeth Murphy should not be adjudicated as the sole and only heirs at law of the decedent. Timothy D. Murphy, as fully set out in the petition on file in the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in the 20 day of May, 2003, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Court-house Annex at 306 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear, and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 19th day of March, 2003 (SEAL)

TIM KELLAR
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi
BY Pamela Cuevas, D.C.

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS: said Deed of Trust authorized the appointment and substitution of another Trustee in the place of the Trustee named in said Deed of Trust or subsequently substituted therein; and the HAROLD R. FLETCHER and wife, JO ANN FLETCHER appointed and substituted JOSEPH KELLY, Attorney as Trustee therein by instrument dated February 25th, 2003 and duly filed for record in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in book 743 at page 752; and WHEREAS default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and default having been made on the promissory note secured thereby and the entire indebtedness secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the HAROLD R. FLETCHER and wife, JO ANN FLETCHER, the holders of the Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee so to do I will on the 1st day of April, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during legal hours, being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows: to-wit: Lot 112, Lambert Development Subdivision Hancock County, Mississippi as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 28th day of February 2003

Joseph Kelly, Substituted Trustee
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB
AND PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION, INC. PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JERRY AND BARBARA PICHON, ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND: DEFENDANT
AND: Lot 34, Block 7, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, at page 38-40, inclusive in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

CAUSE NO. 2003-129
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO JERRY AND BARBARA PICHON, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known and present address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees, ANY AND ALL PERSONS having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the following described property whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown to the Plaintiffs after diligent search and inquiry, who may be served with process of the Court by publication as prescribed by law.

YOU have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, Inc., seeking past property owner's dues in Lot 34, Block 7, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi. YOU are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Joseph Kelly, Southern Title Company, Inc., whose address is 827 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 3-16-03, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the clerk of the Court within a reasonable time after said

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court, this 12 day of March, 2003 (Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY
P O BOX 550, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39521
BY Enca Candebat
DEPUTY CLERK

PREPARED BY
Joseph Kelly, (MS Bar No. 9975)
SOUTHERN TITLE COMPANY, INC.
827 Highway 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF TANYA PRESTENBACH, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2003-221
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 14th day of March, 2003, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administratrix upon the Estate of Tanya Prestenbach, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.

This 14 day of March, 2003
EDRA PRESTENBACH
PREPARED BY
JESSICA SIBLEY UPshaw
JESSICA SIBLEY UPshaw & ASSOCIATES
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB
AND PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION, INC. PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, LEE R. JONES, ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND: DEFENDANT
Lot 41, Block 8, Unit 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, at page 37, inclusive in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

CAUSE NO. 2003-131
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO LEE R. JONES, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known and present address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, his unknown heirs at law or devisees, ANY AND ALL PERSONS having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the following described property whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown to the Plaintiffs after diligent search and inquiry, who may be served with process of the Court by publication as prescribed by law.

YOU have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, Inc., seeking past property owner's dues in Lot 41, Block 8, Unit 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi. YOU are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Joseph Kelly, Southern Title Company, Inc., whose address is 827 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 3-16-03, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

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ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court, this 12 day of March, 2003. (Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY
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BY Enca Candebat
DEPUTY CLERK

PREPARED BY
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ANNA RITA MENDOZA, DECEASED,
THERESA MENDOZA COLEMAN,
PETITIONER
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2003-224
ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 14th day of March, 2003 by the Chancery Court of the Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of ANNA RITA MENDOZA, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 14th day of March A. D. 2003
THERESA MENDOZA COLEMAN,
Administratrix
PREPARED BY
Joseph Kelly, (MS Bar No. 9975)
Attorney at Law
827 Highway 90
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB
AND PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION, INC. PLAINTIFFS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, GINGER EBRITTE, D.B.A. GEM ENTERPRISES, ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND: DEFENDANT
Lot 13, Block 9, Unit 11, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, at pages 64-68, inclusive in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

CAUSE NO. 2003-159
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO GINGER EBRITTE, D.B.A. GEM ENTERPRISES, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known and present address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, her unknown heirs at law or devisees, ANY AND ALL PERSONS having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the following described property whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown to the Plaintiffs after diligent search and inquiry, who may be served with process of the Court by publication as prescribed by law.

YOU have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, Inc., seeking past property owner's dues in Lot 13, Block 9, Unit 11, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi. YOU are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Joseph Kelly, Southern Title Company, Inc., whose address is 827 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 3-16-03, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

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ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court, this 12 day of March, 2003 (Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARY CATHERINE FAYARD, DECEASED
REGINALD FAYARD, EXECUTOR
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2003-54
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 19th day of March, A.D. 2003, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Mary Catherine Fayard, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration, according to law, within three (3) months, from this date. A failure to probate and register any claim within said time will forever bar the said claim.

This 19th day of March, A. D. 2003
Reginald Fayard
Executor of the Estate of
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Paul Anka brings five decades of musical magic to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Friday, May 2 at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$29.95, \$34.95, and \$39.95 and are available at Casino Magic Box Office or at any Ticketmaster location.

Beginning his career by entering amateur contests and sneaking into clubs, Paul Anka has gone on to become one of the greatest songwriters in history. He has achieved unprecedented success in every venue: stage, screen, television, and recording.

His musical compositions are internationally known and have been recorded by the greatest names in the entertainment industry. He recently set a milestone by being one of only a few artists in history to have a record on Billboard's Top 50 charts for five consecutive decades.

Anka has also been named the 21st most successful artist in Billboard's history and received the honor of being named one of Billboard Magazine's most successful artists in history, putting him alongside music greats Elvis Presley



Paul Anka

and the Beatles.

Since the inception of his career, Anka's songs have been performed well over 90 million times worldwide; and his LP and single sales collectively number more than 42 million. With well over 900 songs to his credit, Anka's most memorable are "Put Your Head On My Shoulder", "My Way" and the famous theme from "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson."

Anka's contributions to the entertainment industry have earned him numerous awards and special recognition.

In addition to performing for heads of state, he has been honored by the French government, who awarded him the title: Chevalier In The Order of Arts and Letters. He is among only a handful of Americans to receive this prestigious award. Recently, the National Academy of Popular Music elected Anka into The Songwriter's Hall Of Fame.

An indication of his versatility shows in his most beloved song "My Way." It has been recorded not only

by the likes of Elvis Presley, but also, Sid Vicious, and most notably, Frank Sinatra, who the song was written for.

The list of performers recording Anka's songs is an honor role of some of the most talented artists of all time: Sinatra, Presley, Barbara Streisand, Buddy Holly, Tom Jones, and the Doobie Brothers.

Anka launched his career at the age of sixteen with "Diana, with sales totaling over 20 million copies worldwide. Before he turned 18, Anka had five Top-20 hits and became a household name with songs like "You Are My Destiny", "Lonely Boy" and "Puppy Love."

In the '70s, Anka ushered in another wave of chart-topping hits: "You're Having My Baby", "I Don't Like To Sleep Alone" and "One-Man Woman." His success continues today with the release of new albums and touring across the nation and on the international stage.

Don't miss Paul Anka at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis on Friday, May 2. Must be 21 to attend.

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'Boogie Night' at Discovery Center

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Catch the Boogie Fever at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center annual fundraiser in the gymnasium on Friday, March 28, 7:00-12:30. "Last year our guests raved about our disco theme", says Carrie Rester, Lynn Meadows Discovery Center Board Member and coordinator of the event, "so we're escaping to the '70s again with 'Friday Nite Fever'."

Guests will enjoy a cocktail buffet featuring signature dishes provided by outstanding Gulf Coast restaurants, such as The Great Southern Club, Mary Mahoney's, Nola's Castaways, Aunt Jenny's White Cap, Annie's, Lookout. This year there will be two enhancements, a Coffee Bar hosted by The Tea Garden and a Dessert Bar provided by Chef Robert from Scoop Du Jour. The silent auction offers wooden desks and chairs painted in whimsical themes by local artists and art students. Two pair of "Celebrity Shoes", donated by the Beau Rivage and the Grand Casino, feature signatures of Meatloaf, Mark Wills, Merle Haggard, Englebert Humperdink, Journey, Mickey Gilley, Kenny Loggins, Jeff



Dr. Zarr's Amazing Funk Monster Disco Band

Foxworthy, Gregory Hines, Howie Mandel and Joe Cocker. Getaway vacations to Destin, Water Color, Gulf Shores, New Orleans, Steamboat Springs and Park City, Utah. Art works of different mediums by Mississippi artists will be highlighted. Doctor Zarr's Amazing Funk Monster Band will provide the disco beat for dancing. Tickets are \$50.00 per person.

"Since we've completed Phase 1 of our capital campaign to renovate the gym

into a Performing Arts & Education Center," says Mary Cordray, Associate Director, "our visitors can see we are making significant progress towards our goal."

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